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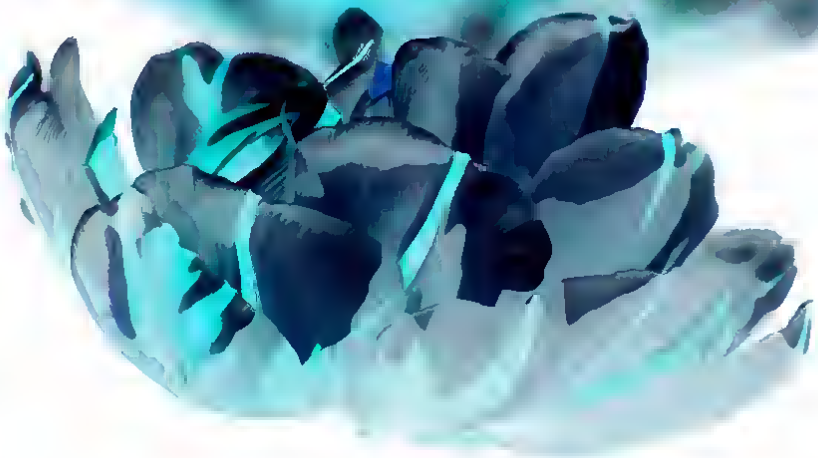

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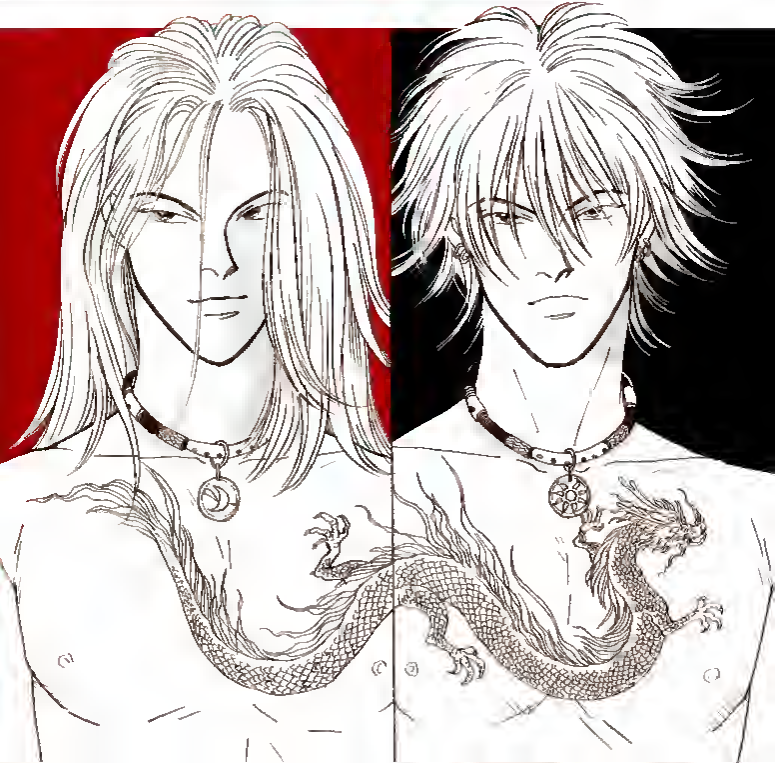

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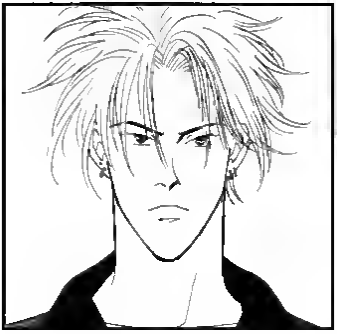
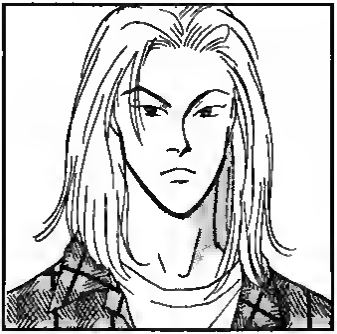


Arisue Sei

18-year-old researcher at Neo Genesis
Also involved in virus research at Rakuhoku University
There are secrets surrounding his birth.



Amamiya Rin

Sei's younger brother (and fraternal twin)
Has some sort of ulterior motive in approaching Sei.
Amamiya Kyoichiro's son

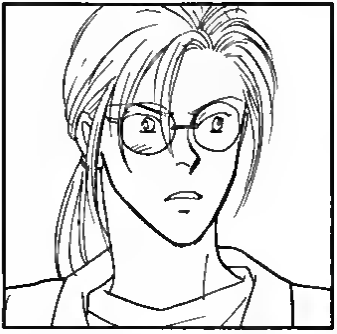
What Happened Last Time

When Sei was young, Neo Genesis murdered his mother and kidnapped him because they were after his genius-level brain and DNA.

He then spent 6 years working for Neo Genesis before returning to Japan, where he reunited with Toichi and learned of the existence of his twin brother Rin. However, he didn't notice that Rin had something evil lurking within him.

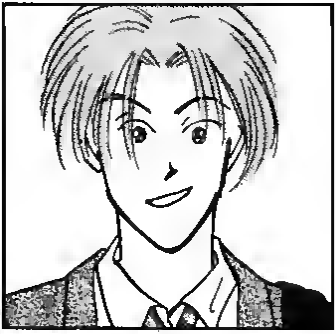
After agonizing over it, Sei finally revealed the secret of his birth to his friends, but a new worry arose when Neo Genesis sent people after him. When Sei broke ties with Neo Genesis, Lt. Kurosaki and Mayo decided to stand with him and fight. During the battle, Sei was rescued from danger by Rin, who took him back to his own house, where Sei was once again face to face with Rin's adopted father, Amamiya, the former Neo Genesis researcher and Sei's mother's enemy...

CHARACTERS



Nagae Moichi

Toichi's older brother
A graduate student studying viruses at Rakuhoku University.
Sei's confidant.

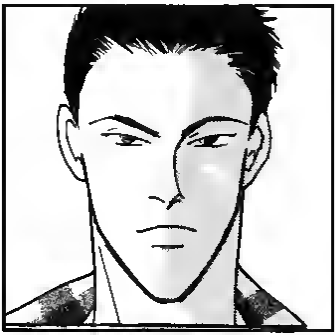


Nagae Toichi

Sei's childhood best friend
A 3rd-year high school student worried about his uni entrance exams.
Recently reunited with Sei after 6 years.

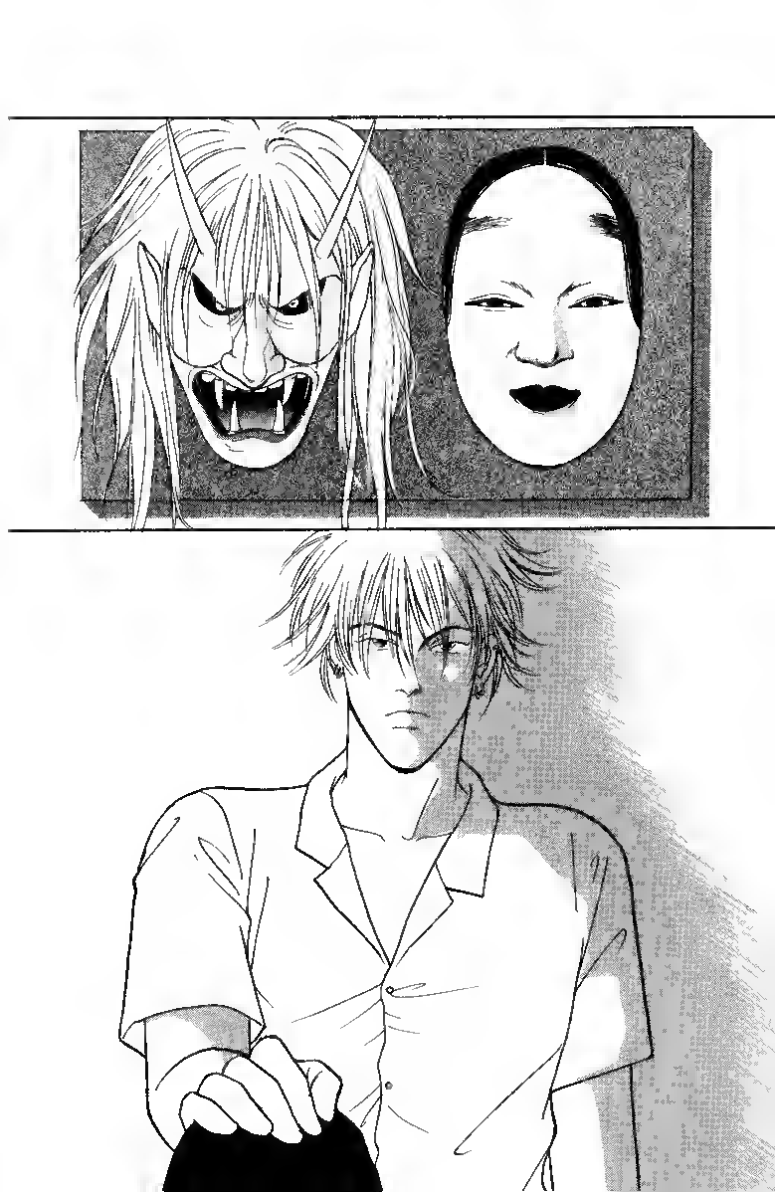
Alfred Ryan

A Nobel prize winning scientist
One of the founders of Neo Genesis
On Sei's side, but currently hospitalized with terminal cancer.

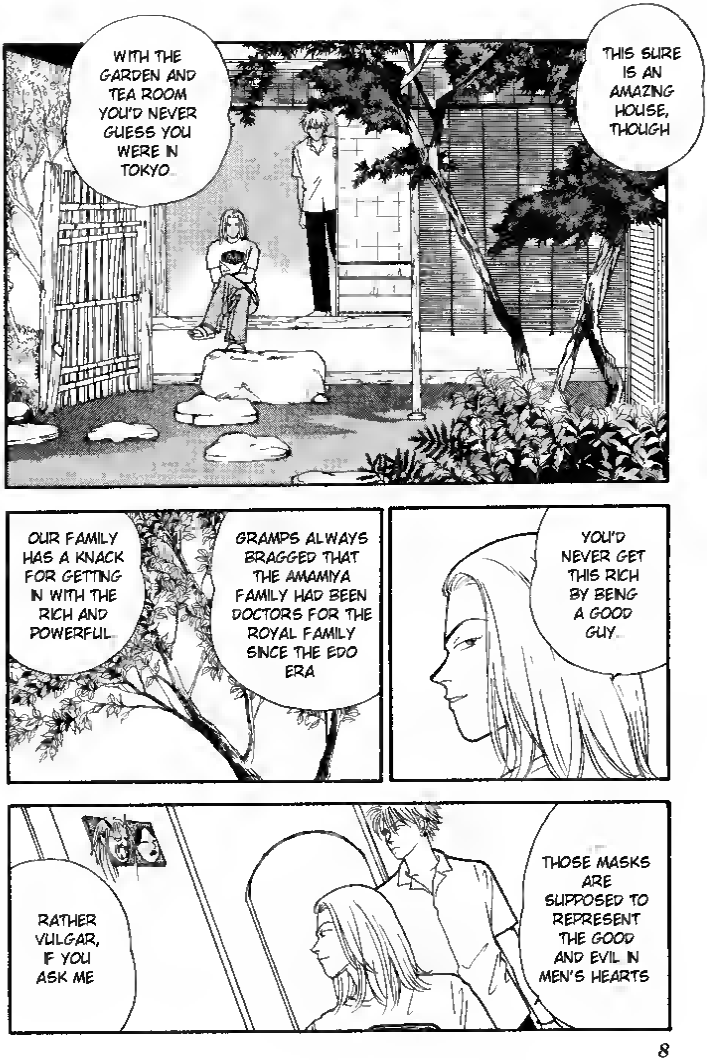


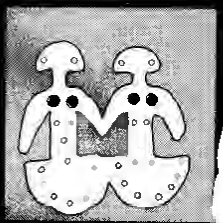
Ken Kurosaki

Employed by Neo Genesis as Sei s bodyguard
Former special ops
A lieutenant.



MY GRAND-FATHER HAD TERRIBLE TASTE.
AREN'T THEY A BIT MUCH FOR A TEA ROOM?
MY LATE GRANDFATHER COMMISSIONED THEM FROM A MASK-MAKER IN SAGANO.
THE FOUNDER OF ALPHA PHARMA-CEUTICALS, AMAMIYA GENJIRO.
HE WAS AN AWFUL OLD MAN


WITH THE GARDEN AND TEA ROOM YOU'D NEVER GUESS YOU WERE IN TOKYO
THIS SURE IS AN AMAZING HOUSE, THOUGH
OUR FAMILY HAS A KNACK FOR GETTING IN WITH THE RICH AND POWERFUL
GRAMPS ALWAYS BRAGGED THAT THE AMAMIYA FAMILY HAD BEEN DOCTORS FOR THE ROYAL FAMILY SINCE THE EDO ERA
YOU'D NEVER GET THIS RICH BY BEING A GOOD GUY.
RATHER VULGAR, IF YOU ASK ME
THOSE MASKS ARE SUPPOSED TO REPRESENT THE GOOD AND EVIL IN MEN'S HEARTS



A SMALL GOLDEN FIGURE DISCOVERED AT ALACA (TURKEY, 2400-2200 BCE)

TWIN FIGURES REPRESENTING GOOD AND EVIL IN THE FORM OF THE CREATOR AND HIS SON CAN BE FOUND IN MANY ANCIENT RELIGIONS.

THE HOLY AND THE DEMONIC

LIGHT AND DARK

THE TWIN GODS OF AZTEC MYTH QUETZALCOATL (THE KING OF DEATH) AND TEZCATLIPOCA (THE KING OF LIFE)

THIS DUALISM LED TO TWINS BEING A RELIGIOUS TABOO IN MANY PLACES.

HUMANS ARE REPULSED BY TWINS BECAUSE WE REMIND THEM OF THE GOOD AND EVIL IN THEIR OWN HEARTS.

TWO PEOPLE WITH THE SAME FACE

BUT THOSE WHO PUSHED THAT IMAGE ON US SURE DIDN'T PULL ANY PUNCHES.
THE HISTORY OF TWINS IS A HISTORY OF PERSECUTION.
IN ALMOST ALL EARLY CIVILIZATIONS, BOTH EAST AND WEST, TWINS WERE A TABOO, KILLED AS SOON AS THEY WERE BORN.
SOMETIMES THE MOTHER WAS KILLED, TOO.
THE METHODS WERE PRETTY CRUEL. BURIED ALIVE, BURNED TO DEATH, STONED ... BREAKING THEIR BONES AND LEAVING THEM TO BE EATEN ALIVE BY WOLVES.
FUCKING HOMOSAPIENS.
WHAT EXACTLY IS "SAPIENT" ABOUT THEM?
NO OTHER LIVING BEING SHOWS THE LEVELS OF CRUELTY TOWARDS ITS OWN KIND THAT HUMANS DO.

EQUAL IN NUMBER TO THE SOCIETIES WHO WOULD KILL BOTH TWINS WERE THOSE WHO WOULD KILL ONLY ONE AND LET THE OTHER LIVE
JAPAN WAS ONE SUCH SOCIETY.
ONE TWIN WAS DEEMED EVIL AND CRUELLY MURDERED
WHILE THE OTHER WAS WORSHIPPED AS THE EMBODIMENT OF GOOD.
THEY WERE IDENTICAL TWINS
YET SHARED SUCH DIFFERENT FATES
BUT I THINK THE MOST CRUEL WAS THE CUSTOM OF ONE ANCIENT AZTEC CLAN

IN THIS CLAN, THE TWINS WERE SEPARATED IMMEDIATELY AFTER BIRTH AND RAISED APART.
BOTH WERE KEPT IN UNDERGROUND PRISONS, HARDLY EVER ALLOWED TO SEE THE SUN
THEN WHEN THEY TURNED 16
IN OTHER WORDS, WHEN THEY REACHED ADULTHOOD, THEY WERE ADORNED IN WARPAINT AND SET FREE
THEN THEY WERE GIVEN WEAPONS AND LED TO THE CEREMONIAL GROUNDS.
AND ORDERED TO KILL THEIR OPPONENT

THEY'D BEEN RAISED WITH CARE TO NEVER LET THEM SEE THEIR OWN FACES
SO THEY HAD NO IDEA THAT THE PERSON THEY FACED NOW LOOKED JUST LIKE THEM
THEY HAD NEVER MET BEFORE.
THEY HAD NO MEMORY OF THEIR MOTHER, NO MEMORIES OF PLAYING TOGETHER
THEY DIDN'T SHARE A SINGLE THING AS BROTHERS
AFTER ALL, THAT EMOTION IS SOMETHING BORN OF KNOWING SOMEONE WELL, ISN'T IT?
THERE WAS NO HATRED BETWEEN THEM.
The only thing they shared was the intent to kill.
No love or hatred.

THE ONE WHO SURVIVED WAS GOD INCARNATE.
AFTER ALL, EVIL MUST BE DESTROYED.
HE WAS HAILED BY HIS CLAN.
THEN WHEN HE WENT DOWN TO THE RIVER TO CLEAN HIMSELF ...
HE SAW A FAMILIAR FACE IN THE WATER.
AND IT WAS THEN THAT HE REALIZED ... WHOSE BLOOD WAS ON HIS HANDS ...

They met only to attack each other —
The only thing they shared was the intent to kill
CRUEL, ISN'T IT?
BROTHER
WE HAVE TO GET ALONG.
THAT'S WHY —
CLUP

WE CAN'T END UP LIKE THE AZTEC TWINS
YEAH
YEP, I'M OUT HERE, TOO
OH, YOU'RE OUT HERE, TOO, RIN?
SEI-KUN' SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING

HERE, I WANT TO GIVE THIS BACK TO YOU.
WELL, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU TWO GETTING ALONG SO WELL.
IT'S HISAKO'S ... YOUR MOTHER'S REMAINS.
SHE WAS CREMATED IN OKINAWA AND MOST OF HER ASHES WERE SCATTERED IN THE OCEAN.
THE OCEAN AROUND OGAMI, WHERE THE TWO OF YOU LIVED ...
I THOUGHT THAT'S WHAT SHE WOULD HAVE WANTED.
I COULDN'T BEAR TO LET HER GO ENTIRELY, THOUGH, BUT I THINK YOU DESERVE THIS MORE THAN I DO.

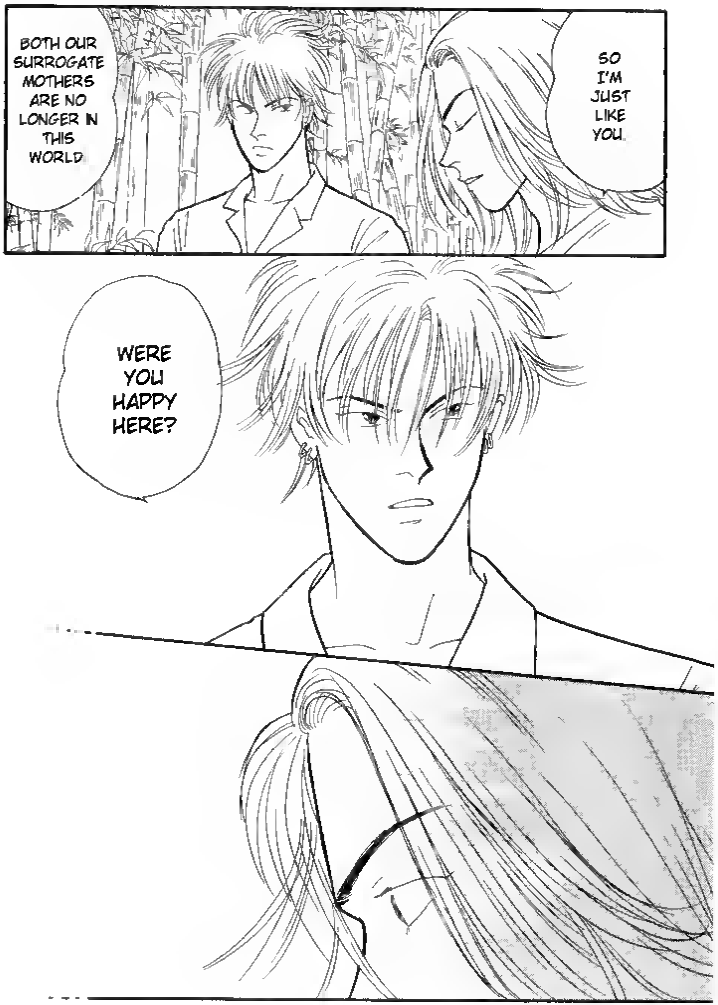
ARE YOU STILL DETERMINED TO LEAVE?
RN TOLD ME WHAT HAPPENED I DON'T THINK THEY'LL GIVE UP SO EASILY
NOT NOW WITH DR. RYAN'S INFLUENCE GONE
YES
I THINK I COULD BE OF HELP TO YOU
IT'S SAFER HERE, AND YOU'D BE ABLE TO LIVE WITH YOUR BROTHER

I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T TRUST YOU
AMAMIYA -SAN
NOW IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME
THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING

I SEE
WELL, I SUPPOSE THERE'S NOTHING I CAN SAY TO THAT
I'D LIKE YOU TO THINK OF THIS PLACE AS YOUR HOME FEEL FREE TO COME AND GO AS YOU LIKE
IT WOULD MAKE RIN HAPPY
BUT IF YOU NEED ANYTHING, DON'T HESITATE TO ASK
REGARDLESS OF HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT ME, RIN IS YOUR BROTHER
I HOPE YOU'LL STAY FRIENDS
I UNDER-STAND

BROTHER
IT'S TOO BAD...
I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO LIVING TOGETHER
RIN
HM?
YOU MUST REALLY HATE MY OLD MAN
GUESS I CAN'T BLAME YOU, THOUGH

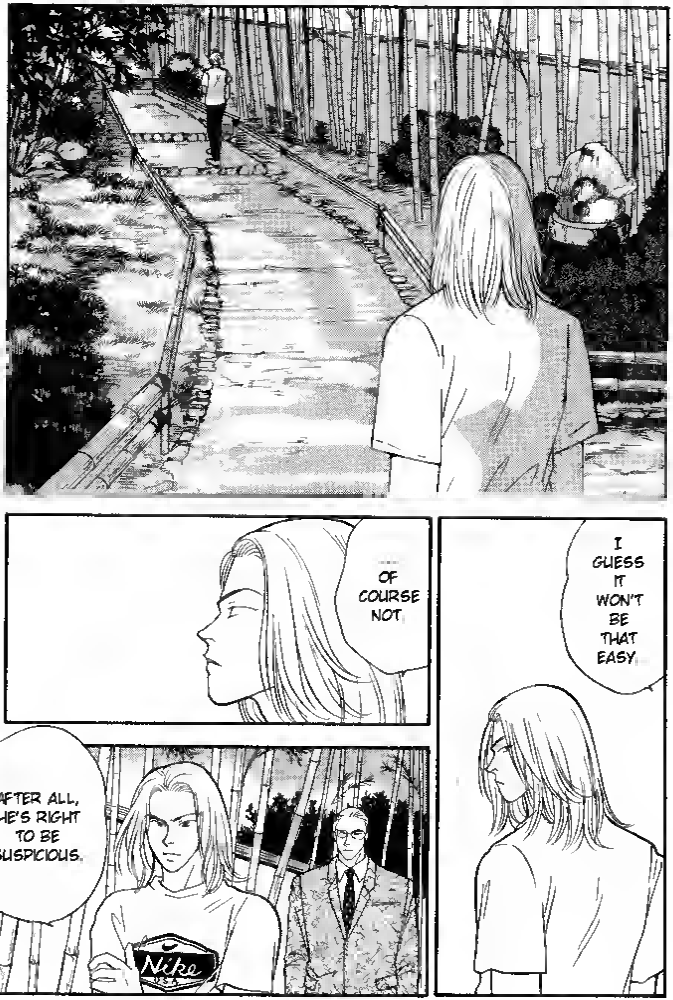
WHAT WAS THE WOMAN WHO GAVE BIRTH TO YOU LIKE?
I'M CURIOUS ABOUT THE PERSON WHO GAVE BIRTH TO YOU.
IT'S NOT STRANGE, IS IT?
WHY'RE YOU ASKING ALL OF A SUDDEN ?
WH-WHAT?
Nike
SHE DIED NOT LONG AFTER I WAS BORN DUE TO COMPLI-CATIONS
SHE DIED.

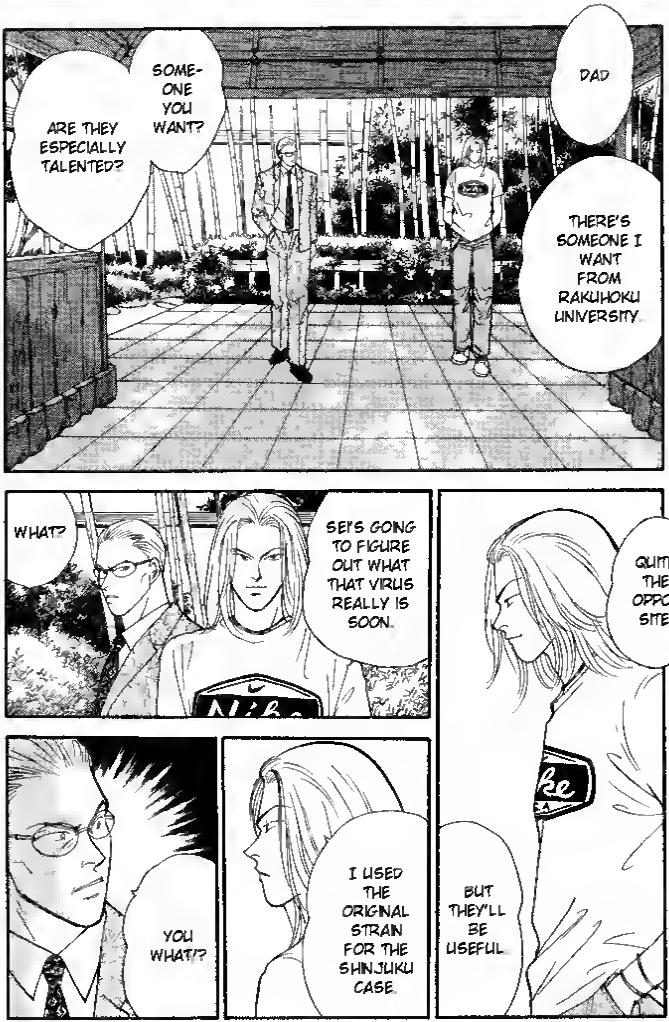

BOTH OUR SURROGATE MOTHERS ARE NO LONGER IN THIS WORLD
SO I'M JUST LIKE YOU
WERE YOU HAPPY HERE?

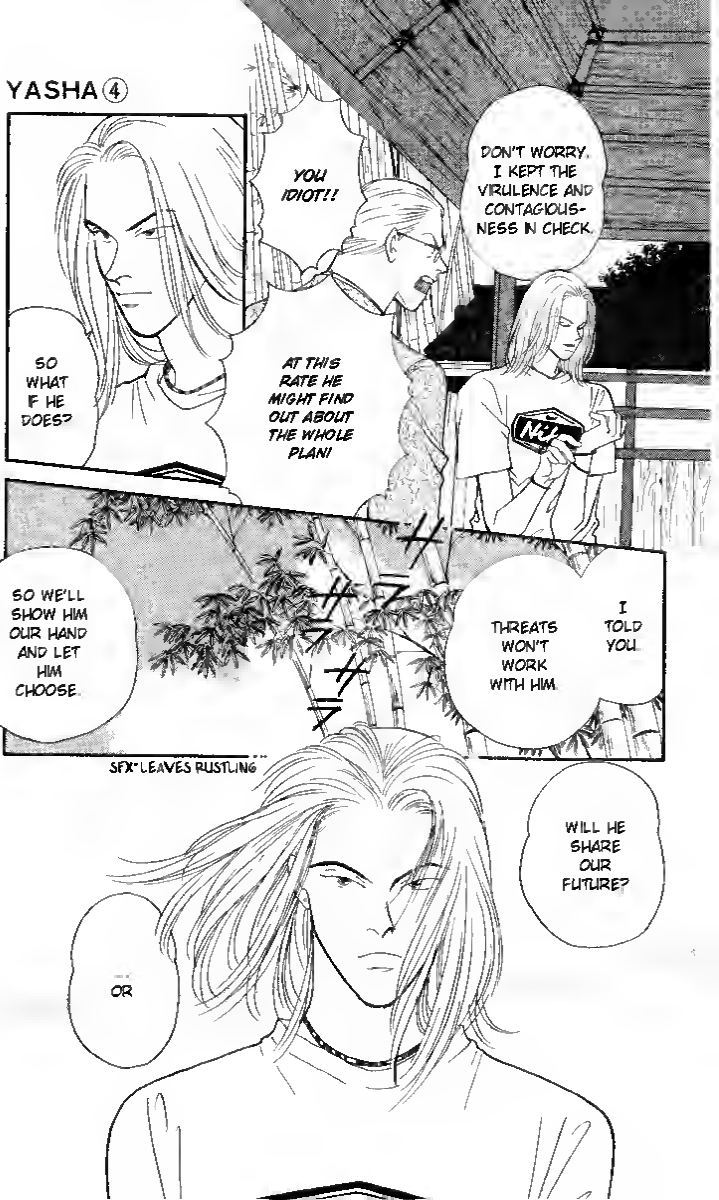
SFX: LEAVES RUSTLING
DID AMAMIYA-SAN TREAT YOU WELL?
DID HE LOVE YOU LIKE HIS OWN SON?
WELL... OF COURSE!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT...?

AND YOU'RE HAPPY WITH HIM
I'M HAPPY
THAT'S GOOD, THEN

SEE YA
BROTHER
WERE YOU HAPPY?
I WAS.
FOR 12 YEARS.


I GUESS IT WON'T BE THAT EASY.
...OF COURSE NOT.
AFTER ALL, HE'S RIGHT TO BE SUSPICIOUS.
Nike


DAD
THERE'S SOMEONE I WANT FROM RAKUHOKU UNIVERSITY.
SOME-ONE YOU WANT?
ARE THEY ESPECIALLY TALENTED?
WHAT?
SEI'S GOING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THAT VIRUS REALLY IS SOON.
QUITE THE OPPO-SITE.
BUT THEY'LL BE USEFUL.
I USED THE ORIGINAL STRAIN FOR THE SHINJUKU CASE.
YOU WHAT!?


DON'T WORRY. I KEPT THE VIRULENCE AND CONTAGIOUSNESS IN CHECK.
YOU IDIOT!!
SO WHAT IF HE DOES?
AT THIS RATE HE MIGHT FIND OUT ABOUT THE WHOLE PLAN!
I TOLD YOU.
THREATS WON'T WORK WITH HIM.
SO WE'LL SHOW HIM OUR HAND AND LET HIM CHOOSE.
SFX* LEAVES RUSTLING
WILL HE SHARE OUR FUTURE?
OR

SQUEAK
SEI !?
SHIZUKA !!
YOU'RE SAFE !?
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALL THIS TIME !?
AMAMIYA'S HOUSE
SORRY TO WORRY YOU
WH, WHAT !?

RIN? YOU MEAN YOUR BROTHER ?
RIN RESCUED ME
AMAMIYA SAID TO TAKE IT.
THIS IS MY MOM'S REMAINS
UNCLE, HERE
THIS IS ...
HISAKO ?

N-NO WAY ?
THAT'S SHIZUKA'S BEAUTIFUL MOM ?
A-AUNTIE?
BAD
HE WAS WEARING A BULLET-PROOF VEST, SO HE'S GOT SOME CRACKED RIBS, BUT OTHERWISE HE'S OK!
HE'S ASLEEP IN OTHER ROOM RIGHT NOW
LT. KUROSAKI'S OK!
SEI!

JACK!
IT'S SE! HE'S BACK!
HE'S ALL RIGHT!!
SE!?
THANK GOD! YOU'RE OK!?
WHAT A RELIEF I WAS SO WORRIED
SEX CLATTER
MMM
LIEUTENANT!? ARE YOU AWAKE!?
GOOD TIMING!
DASH!

...
SFX GASP
SEI
!?

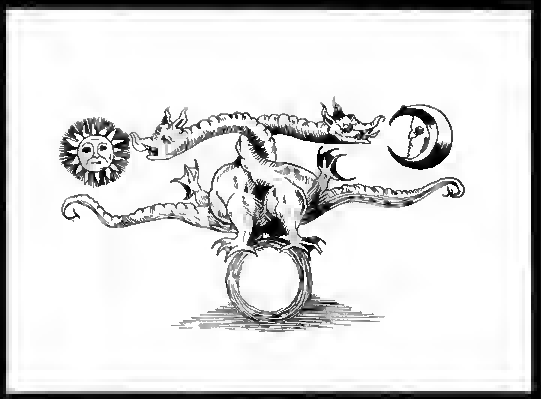
DON'T MOVE!

In Christianity the story of Isaac and Rebecca's twin sons Esau and Jacob touches on the core of the twin taboo The Bible says that even in the womb, the two had an antagonistic relationship This is a motif that occurs frequently

In primitive societies, when twins were born, one was usually seen as the supernatural world trying to force its way into the natural world As the embodiment of the supernatural, this "other" was thought to be filled with magic and too dangerous to approach, and thus must be destroyed The decision as to which twin would be killed and which would live was surprisingly arbitrary

You could say the double helix of our DNA is the ultimate manifestation of the "twin" in our recent mythology At the same time, it is a code that sparks both greed and analysis Just as twins inspired fear in our ancestors long ago, this fear may have taken a new form, but still continues unchanged to this day

-excerpts from "Twins and the Double" by John Lash

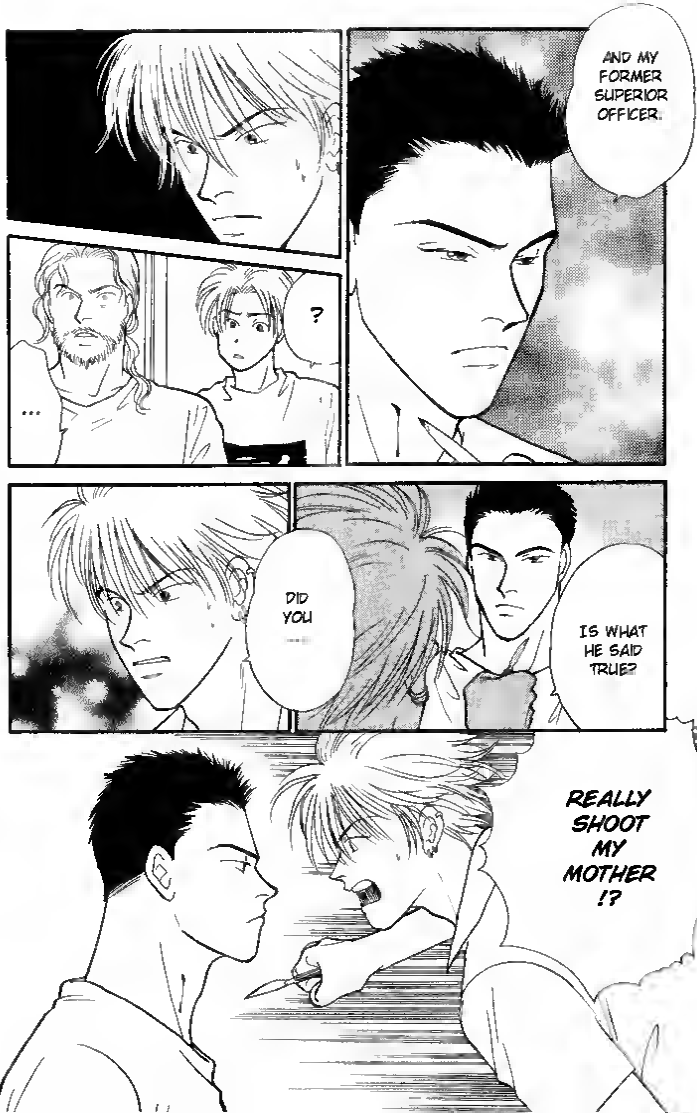


Woodblock print from Thomas Norton's "The Ordinal of Alchemy" (1652)

SE--

SE!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING !?
GLANCE
POKE
DON'T MOVE !!
IT'S NO USE WAITING FOR ME TO LET MY GUARD DOWN, KEN.
STOP IT, SE!!!

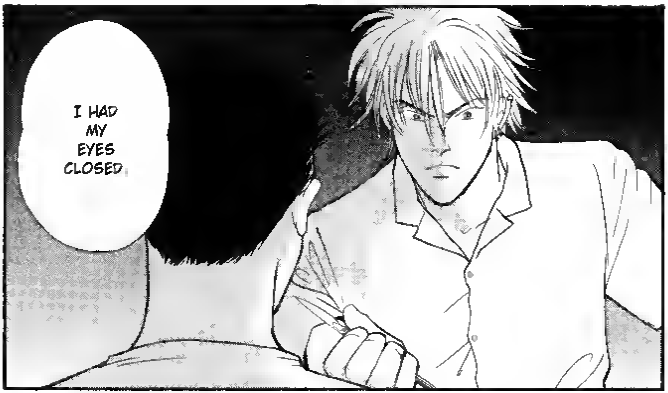
I CAN MOVE FASTER THAN YOU.
I KNOW.
ANSWER MY QUESTION.
MAJOR GARY HODGES OF THE 1ST SPECIAL FORCES GROUP OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY.
WHO IS THAT BLACK GUY?


AND MY FORMER SUPERIOR OFFICER.
?
...
DID YOU
IS WHAT HE SAID TRUE?
REALLY SHOOT MY MOTHER !?

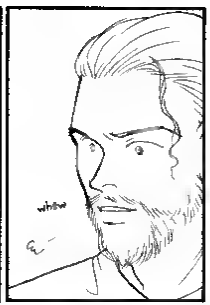
HUH !?
ANSWER ME, KEN !!
IT'S TRUE.

TOKYO
IN SEARCH OF HISTORY
ART
WAIT, SEI!

NO, YOU BE QUIET !
SHUT UP, MAYO !!
DON'T ASK "DID YOU SHOOT HER?" ASK IF HE KILLED HER!!
LT. KUROSAKI WOULD NEVER KILL A CIVILIAN WOMAN !
EVEN UNDER DIRECT ORDERS !
SEI! I'M BEGGING YOU !!
I DON'T KNOW.
ANSWER ME, KEN.
DID YOU KILL MY MOTHER ?
I AIMED AWAY WHEN I FIRED.
BUT I DIDN'T SEE WHAT HAPPENED NEXT.


I HAD MY EYES CLOSED

SEI, YOU KNOW HOW GOOD A SHOT HE IS
IF HE'D BEEN SERIOUS, THERE'S NO WAY HE WOULD HAVE MISSED!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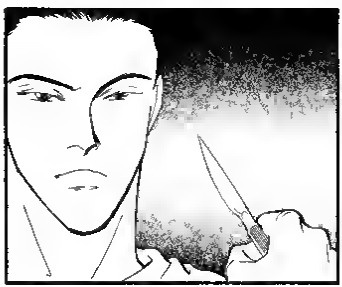
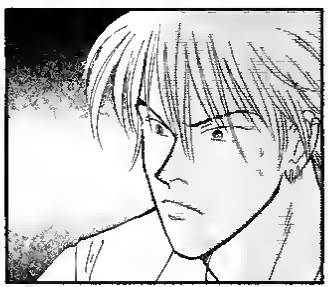




... WHY DID YOU STICK WITH ME?
IF YOU DIDN'T KILL MY MOM, THEN YOU SHOULDN'T FEEL YOU OWE ME ANYTHING
DON'T LOOK AWAY! LOOK ME IN THE EYE !!

YOU ALWAYS DO THAT!
YOU ALWAYS LOOK AWAY WHEN IT'S MOST IMPORTANT!
WHY WON'T YOU TELL ME THE TRUTH!?
YOU'D RISK YOUR LIFE FOR ME, BUT THEN DENY ME THIS!?
WHY!? TELL ME, KEN!
I'M BEG-GING YOU, TELL ME!!
IT'S BECAUSE I SAW YOUR EYES.

6 YEARS AGO, WHEN WE KIDNAPPED YOU IN OKINAWA,
I WAS THE ONE ORDERED TO TAKE CARE OF YOU.
I WAS THE ONLY ONE ABLE TO SPEAK JAPANESE.
OF COURSE YOU DON'T REMEMBER ANY OF IT.

NO MATTER WHAT I SAID, YOU WOULDN'T ANSWER
YOUR EYES WERE AS COLD AS ICE
WE HADN'T JUST KILLED YOUR MOTHER.
WE ALSO KILLED YOUR HEART.
YOUR EYES WERE JUST LIKE MY LITTLE SISTER'S
YOUR SISTER?
YOU HAVE A SISTER?
YES.
I DID.

WHEN I WAS 13 AND MY SISTER WAS 8, OUR FATHER DIED AND OUR MOTHER REMARRIED NOT LONG AFTER.
WHY ?
SHE DIED WHEN I WAS 18
MY SISTER WAS ABUSED BY OUR STEPFATHER.

I DIDN'T GET ALONG WITH MY STEPFATHER, SO I WAS SENT AWAY TO MILITARY SCHOOL AT 14 AND WENT ON TO THE MILITARY ACADEMY AFTER THAT.
DURING THAT TIME, I NEVER ONCE WENT HOME
...
SO I ONLY FOUND OUT ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED WHEN MY SISTER HAD A MENTAL BREAKDOWN AND WAS PUT IN AN ASYLUM
HER EYES ... WERE SO DARK AND COLD
NO MATTER WHAT I SAID, SHE WOULDN'T ANSWER
SHE MUST HAVE SEEN ME AS THE ONE WHO ESCAPED AND LEFT HER BEHIND
HER HEART WAS DEAD
I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE THOSE EYES AGAIN

WHY DID YOUR SISTER DIE ?
SHE SNEAKED PAST THE GUARDS AND THREW HERSELF OUT THE WINDOW
IT WAS OVER IN AN INSTANT.
I HAD NO IDEA
SO THAT'S WHY
YOU WERE WILLING TO GIVE UP YOUR RANK AS AN OFFICER

I'M NOT YOUR LITTLE SISTER
SEI !!
HEY, WAIT! COME BACK !
SEI !
TURN

LIEU-
TENANT
HE'S
RIGHT
SEI
!!
WAIT
!!

I KNOW I'M IN THE WRONG
BUT I'M NOT HIS SISTER
I CAN'T REPLACE HIS SISTER
H-HEY, WHERE ARE YOU GOING!?

THEN I'LL GO WITH YOU
I'M GOING HOME TO SHOWER AND CHANGE
I'VE GOT WORK TO DO
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU ?
LT KUROSAKI

I'M NOT YOUR SISTER !!
I DON'T WANT YOU LOOKING AFTER ME BECAUSE YOU COULDN'T SAVE HER!!
ANGER
MY PERSONAL FEELINGS DON'T ENTER INTO IT.
DR RYAN CONTRACTED ME TO BE YOUR BODYGUARD
I REFUSE YOUR HELP !!

I DON'T NEED YOUR PROTECTION !
STAY AWAY FROM ME FROM NOW ON !
I CAN'T DO THAT.
IF YOU COME NEAR ME, I'LL HAVE TO CONSIDER YOU AN ENEMY!
SEI !?
DO YOU EVEN UNDERSTAND
JUST WHAT YOU'RE PROTECTING ?

I'M NOT HUMAN.
MY DNA IS NOT LIKE YOURS.
IF I WANTED TO, I COULD KILL YOU TWO IN AN INSTANT!
SEI, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
I COULD HAVE KICKED YOUR ASS BEFORE YOU LAID A FINGER ON ME, TETSUTO.
WHEN I WAS 12!!
SH-SHIZUKA, YOU?

SEI !!
SLAM
IS THAT REALLY SHIZUKA ?
WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM ?
HE ...
...

SEI !?
OH, THANK GOODNESS! YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!?
SORRY, MOICCHAN.
I WAS SO WORRIED!
I THOUGHT FOR SURE YOU'D BEEN CAPTURED BY NEO GENESIS
HEY! DR. ARISUE !!
FINALLY DECIDED TO COME IN TO WORK, EH?
CAN'T BELIEVE YOU WERE OUT WITH A LITTLE OLD COLD WHEN WE'RE SO BUSY
HUH ?

HUH ?
I FOUND IT.
I'LL GET RIGHT BACK TO WORK
OH SORRY
I TOLD THEM YOU HAD A COLD.
FFANY 8
WHERE ?
JUST LIKE YOU SAID.
IN THE BRAIN.
THE VIRUS.

HAVE A LOOK YOURSELF.
ODD ?
YEAH
RIGHT, NAGAE?
BUT THERE'S SOMETHING ODD ABOUT IT.
REMIND YOU OF ANYTHING?
A SPHERICAL ENVELOPE WITH PROTRUDING GLYCOPROTEINS.

THAT'S WHAT YOU EXTRACTED FROM THE BRAIN OF THE 32-YEAR-OLD PATIENT.
EXACTLY.
THE INFLUENZA VIRUS.
3 OF THE 4 DEATHS WERE ELDERLY, AND ON TOP OF THAT, THEY WERE HOMELESS MEN NOT IN THE BEST OF HEALTH.
IN OTHER WORDS, BEFORE IT COULD INFECT THEIR BRAINS, THEY'D ALREADY DIED FROM PNEUMONIA.
NO WONDER WE MISSED IT.
EITHER WAY, IT SPELLS TROUBLE.
OR MAYBE AN ALL NEW VIRUS MASQUERADING AS INFLUENZA.
IT COULD BE A NEW TYPE OF INFLUENZA THAT INFECTS THE BRAIN.

ANYWAY, LET'S ANALYZE THE RNA.
THIS IS MY VIRUS ANALYSIS SOFTWARE
AND THE GENETIC PATTERNS OF THE MOST COMMON VIRUSES ARE STORED ON THESE DISCS.
IT'S NOT DIFFICULT TO USE, BUT IT'S PASSWORD PROTECTED, SO I'LL HAVE TO UNLOCK IT.
WITH THIS, WE'LL BE ABLE TO QUICKLY SPOT ANY VIRUSES WITH SIMILAR GENETIC PATTERNS.
WH-WHAT THE HELL IS
THIS IS A TREASURE TROVE!!
A VIRUS ANALYSIS PROGRAM
DID YOU CODE THIS!?
A-AND THE DATABASE
UH, THE ONE WITH THE STICKER ON IT HAS DNA INFO
AND THE OTHER IS RNA.
WHY WOULD YOU PUT A STICKER ON IT!?
And of two bugs!?

IF YOU KNOW A VIRUS'S GENES, THERE'S NO NEED TO KEEP A COPY OF A DANGEROUS VIRUS IN P4, RIGHT?
THAT LESSENS THE RISK OF A BIOHAZARD
YOU JUST NEED THE "BLUE-PRINTS".
FFANY
Awesomely
A STICKER OF TWO GUYS ON A PIECE OF MILLION DOLLAR SOFTWARE!
DID YOU DO THE ANALYSIS YOUR-SELF?
VIRUS GENETICS
I'VE BEEN FORCED TO GIVE UP ALL RIGHTS TO ANY OF MY RESEARCH OR IDEAS
I-IF YOU PATENTED THIS YOU COULD GET RICH OFF THE LICENSE FEES ALONE!
Y-YOU... I MEAN DOCTOR!
BUT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF LETTING NEO GENESIS PROFIT OFF THAT, SO PLEASE KEEP THIS BETWEEN US.

NOTE: THE TESTING FACILITIES FOR CONTAGIOUS DISEASES ARE REFERRED TO AS P1, P2, P3, AND P4, BASED ON THE LEVEL OF DANGER. HIV IS USUALLY P2 OR P3, WHILE EBOLA IS P4

IS HE REALLY ONLY 18!?
UN-BELIEV-ABLE
I FEEL LIKE A MONKEY IN COMPARISON
click click

This pattern
UUUUUC UUAU
GUCGUCAUCC
AUUAUCAUAAU
GUACGAGGG
UCUUCCUCAU
UAUUGUUGAU
UACUAUUAGUUG
UUAUCAUAAU
GUUGUC GUAG
ACUAAUAACAA
CCUCCCCCAA
CUUCCUGUG
AUUACUAAUU
GCUGCAGCG
AAUAGUAGC
GAUGGUGGC
GUUGCUCAAU
CUUCCUCAUC
AAAAUC GAC
UGUUUUUAC
Huh?
But it can't be ...!
I've seen it before.
SEI !?
WHAT'S THIS DOING HERE!?
TIFFANY &

WH-
WHAT'S
THE
MATTER,
SEIJ?
TIFFANY & CO

SEI
IS SOME-THING WRONG!?
HUH?
P3'S NO GOOD. WE NEED P4!
THIS IS AN EMERGENCY!
W-WAIT A MINUTE, SEI!
WE NEED A QUARANTINE SPECIALIST IMMEDIATELY! AND THEN
JUST TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON!

THIS IS THE SAME VIRUS THAT KILLED OVER 200 PEOPLE IN THE US 18 YEARS AGO
WHAT —!?
WE HAVE TO CONTACT ALL THE OTHER MEDICAL FACILITIES AND SEE IF THERE HAVE BEEN ANY PATIENTS WHO DIED OF INFLUENZA-LIKE SYMPTOMS RECENTLY!
AND TEST THE STAFF FOR ANTI-BODIES!
TIFFANY & CO

THIS VIRUS DOESN'T ACTUALLY OFFICIALLY EXIST.
THOUGH THIS IS JUST WHAT THE MEDIA WERE CALLING IT AT THE TIME. IT DOESN'T HAVE AN OFFICIAL NAME
IT'S CALLED THE CATSKILL FEVER
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
IT DOESN'T EXIST?
18 YEARS AGO IN THE FOOTHILLS OF NEW YORK'S CATSKILL MOUNTAINS,
RESIDENTS WERE DROPPING LIKE FLIES FROM A MYSTERIOUS ILLNESS
THE SYMPTOMS WERE FEVER, CHILLS, RESPIRATORY INFLAMMATION
ALMOST IDENTICAL SYMPTOMS TO INFLUENZA IN FACT, THAT'S WHAT THE PATIENTS WERE DIAGNOSED WITH

BUT THEN A HORRIBLE SCENARIO BEGAN TO PLAY OUT.
THE PATIENTS DEVELOPED INFLAMMATION OF THE LUNGS AND BRAIN
7 DAYS
IT HIT ELDERLY PATIENTS THE WORST.
THE TOWN'S SENIOR POPULATION WAS COMPLETELY WIPED OUT.
AND 90% OF THEM DIED
ONLY 7 DAYS AFTER FALLING ILL.
ABOUT 20% OF THE PATIENTS DIED OF PNEUMONIA,
AND FOR THOSE WHOSE BRAINS BECAME INFECTED, THE FATALITY RATE WAS 100%

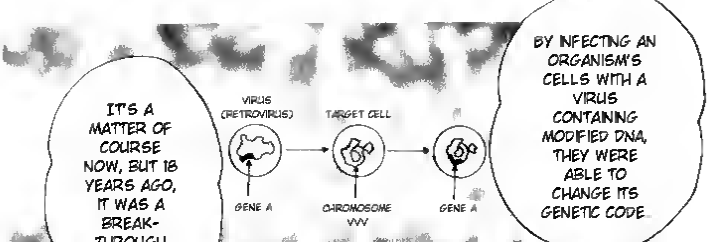
NOT SURPRISING. THE BRAIN IS THE LAST FRONTIER.
THERE'S NO WAY OF SAVING THE BRAIN ONCE IT BECOMES INFECTED BY A VIRUS
BUT WHY IS THERE NO RECORD OF SUCH A TERRIFYING VIRUS!?
DIDN'T THE CDC INVESTIGATE?

WHAT !?
THE CDC DIDN'T HANDLE THIS CASE. FORT DETRICK DID. IN OTHER WORDS, THE U.S. ARMY MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.
THE VIRUS HASN'T APPEARED SINCE
FORT DETRICK'S OFFICIAL STATEMENT WAS THAT IT WAS A PARTICULARLY DEADLY NEW STRAIN OF INFLUENZA.
?
BUT WHY WOULD IT SHOW UP AGAIN 18 YEARS LATER HERE IN JAPAN!?

AND IF THIS VIRUS DOESN'T EVEN OFFICIALLY EXIST, HOW COME YOU KNOW ABOUT IT!?
SEI ?
THE CATSKILL FEVER WAS A BIOHAZARD
THE FIRST PERSON INFECTED WAS A NEO GENESIS RESEARCHER
WHAT !?
ANY&
S. ARISUE Ph.d

WHAT WAS HE DOING?
EXPERIMENTS...?
DON'T TELL ME HE WAS TRYING TO CREATE SOME SORT OF BIOLOGICAL WEAPON!?
HIS EXPERIMENTS ACCIDENTALLY GAVE BIRTH TO THE CATSKILL FEVER.
YOU CAN'T TELL HIM, CAN YOU, DR. ARISUE?
ITO-SAN!?

AFTER ALL, IT TOUCHES ON THE SECRET OF YOUR BIRTH
ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
ITO?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?
THE EXPERIMENTS NEO GENESIS WERE CONDUCTING
WERE PART OF A GROUND-BREAKING GENETIC MANIPU-LATION PROGRAM


IT'S A MATTER OF COURSE NOW, BUT 18 YEARS AGO, IT WAS A BREAK-THROUGH DISCOVERY.
VIRUS (RETROVIRUS)
TARGET CELL
GENE A
CHROMOSOME VVV
GENE A
BY INFECTING AN ORGANISM'S CELLS WITH A VIRUS CONTAINING MODIFIED DNA, THEY WERE ABLE TO CHANGE ITS GENETIC CODE.

ISN'T THAT RIGHT, DR. ARISUE!?
BUT IRONICALLY THOSE EXPERIMENTS GAVE BIRTH TO A DEADLY VIRUS!

I TOLD YOU, IMAI.
IT WAS A GROUND-BREAKING GENETIC MANIPU-LATION PROJECT
AND HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS ANYWAY!?
W-WAIT A MINUTE!
WHAT DOES THAT HAVE TO DO WITH THE SECRET OF HIS BIRTH?

AND HE
IS THE PRODUCT OF NEO GENESIS' BID TO CREATE
A GENETIC-ALLY MODIFIED SUPER-HUMAN!!
HUH !?
!
WHAT !?

WHAT DO YOU THINK !?
HOW DOES IT FEEL TO LAY EYES ON THE FIRST PRIMATE TRANS-GENIC!?
FFANY
HAHA ... HA!
IT'S LAUGH-ABLE!
WHAT SHOULD BE LOCKED UP IN A LAB SOMEWHERE
IS INSTEAD RESPECTED AND CALLED "DOCTOR"!!

THUD
SLAM
WAH !?
TOICHI !?

TOICHI! YOU SHOULDN'T BE IN HERE!
... SAY THAT AGAIN !
I WANT NOTHING TO DO WITH THAT MON-STER!
COL-LEAGUE? YOU MUST BE KIDDING
HE'S YOUR COL-LEAGUE!!
HOW CAN YOU SAY THOSE THINGS !?
WHAT !?
HUH ?
DON'T TRY AND STOP ME, MOICCHA --
TOICHI, STOP IT!!

Slap
MOIC-CHAN!?
WHOA...
I'VE LOST A LOT OF RESPECT FOR YOU, ITO-SAN.
YOU SAY HE'S A MONSTER, THAT HE'S NOT HUMAN!
I NEVER THOUGHT I'D HEAR THAT SORT OF EMOTIONAL OUTBURST FROM YOU.
AND YOU CALL YOURSELF A SCIENTIST!?

I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU'
I'M NO LONGER A RESEARCHER HERE
I WOULDN'T EXPECT SOMEONE WHO VALUES SCIENCE THE WAY YOU TO DO REACT SO EMOTIONALLY
HE'S RIGHT
WHAT ?
AND YOU STILL HAVEN'T ANSWERED MY QUESTION HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL THIS?
TOI-CHI !!
WHY YOU !!
ITO-SAN
I'M SICK OF BOWING AND SCRAPING TO THIS MONSTER'
I GOT A BETTER OFFER
RAWR
WHO TOLD YOU ABOUT ME?

I ADMIT IT.
SO YOU ADMIT IT'S THE TRUTH
HMPH
IT'S TRUE MY BODY IS THE RESULT OF GENETIC MANIPU-LATION.
BUT WHO TOLD YOU THAT ?

THE CATSKILL FEVER IS A MANMADE VIRUS NOT FOUND IN NATURE
SOMEONE OBTAINED THAT VIRUS AND PURPOSELY LET IT LOOSE
THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THE PERSON WHO TOLD YOU ABOUT ME IS INVOLVED IN THIS
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT SOMEONE IS TRYING TO CREATE A BIOHAZARD SITUATION HERE IN JAPAN
WHO IS IT, ITO-SAN? TELL ME!
SHUT UP!!
YOU CAN'T TALK TO ME LIKE THAT!!

ORDER: PRIMATE, FAMILY: HOMINIDAE, GENUS: HOMO
IN OTHER WORDS, HOMO SAPIENS WAS A UNIQUE SPECIES
THE ONLY "SAPIENS"!
BUT THANKS TO YOU, THERE'S NOW A SECOND SUB-SPECIES!
AND ... IT'S NOT JUST YOU!
THERE'S ALSO YOUR TWIN BROTHER!!
NO!! RIN HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS!!

I'M THE ONLY ONE WITH ENHANCED DNA!
THEY WANTED TO USE ONE OF THE TWINS AS A CONTROL!
RIN ... IS A NORMAL HUMAN BEING ...
HMPH!
STILL, THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY ISN'T LOOKING SO BRIGHT
THESE CHANGES CAN BE INHERITED
HE'LL PASS DOWN THIS DNA TO FUTURE GENE-RATIONS!
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS!?
HE LOOKS AT US THE WAY WE LOOK AT MONKEYS!!

SORRY TO INTERRUPT,
EXCUSE ME
HOW DARE YOU ...!
BUT IS DR ARISUE HERE?
ANY &
THERE'S SOME QUESTIONS WE'D LIKE TO ASK YOU
WE'RE WITH THE POLICE
THAT'S ME
YOU SURE ARE A BUSY MAN, DR. ARISUE
GOOD GRIEF.
WOULD YOU MIND COMING DOWN TO THE STATION WITH US?
THE PO-LICE ?

Some-thing's odd...
WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?
WHAT DO YOU SAY, DOCTOR? WE REALLY NEED YOUR COOPER-ATION
FARE-WELL, ALL
WELL, YOU'LL HAVE TO EXCUSE ME.
H-HEY, ITO!
SLAM
WHY NOW ...?
WHAT!? BUT WE ALL GAVE OUR STATEMENTS ALREADY!
And what's with this murderous vibe in the air?
They're not surprised that I'm a doctor.
IT'S ABOUT THE MURDERS THAT HAPPENED HERE ON CAMPUS.

POW
THESE GUYS ARE THE SECRET POLICE!!
RUN, SE!!!
KEN !?
OOF!
FFANY & CO.
Secret police!!

TOI-CHI !!
DON'T MOVE!!
DASH
BANG BANG BANG
FOOTSTEPS

H-HEY!
GUN-SHOTS
TOICHI, YOU GO HOME.
THE SECRET POLICE ARE INVOLVED.
WHO KNOWS WHAT'LL HAPPEN NEXT.
HEY, WAIT! WHERE ARE YOU GOING!?
I DON'T CARE WHAT KINDA POLICE THEY ARE! YOU WON'T SURVIVE LONG IN TOKYO IF YOU'RE AFRAID OF THAT SORT OF THING!

DASH
TIFFANY
THE POLICE HAVE PROBABLY GOT THE EXITS BLOCKED
WH-WHAT? YOU'RE GONNA CLIMB THAT!?
FLOAT
WHOA

SINCE I WAS 12.
Athletic?
S-SINCE WHEN HAVE YOU BEEN SO ATHLETIC!?
TIFFANY &Co
GRIN
she's here a lot
YOU CAN'T LEAVE ME BEHIND!
HEY!
SEE YA
GO HOME!
ALL RIGHT!
SPIT
there's filthy
GIMME YOUR HAND!!
I'LL TELL THE COPS !!

WHOA...!
WHAT IS THIS PLACE!?
IT'S HUGE!
ARE WE STILL IN TOKYO!?
IT LOOKS LIKE THE SET OF A HISTORICAL MOVIE
WH-WHOSE HOUSE IS THIS!?
TIFFANY & CO.
AMAMIYA
AMA-MIYA!?
SIGN: AMAMIYA

TOI-CHI
YOU WAIT HERE.
SO THIS ... IS RIN'S HOUSE!?
TIFFANY & CO.
THERE'S SOMETHING I HAVE TO MAKE SURE OF.
TIFFANY & CO.

CALL AN AMBU-LANCE!!
CONTACT HEAD-QUAR-TERS!
AFTER THEM!
NO ONE LEAVE THIS ROOM!!
DON'T TOUCH ANY-THING!

THEY'RE REALLY SOME-THING.
DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS?
THOSE GUARD DOGS ...
THE SECRET POLICE WERE LIKE KIDS COMPARED TO THEM.
GLAD I DIDN'T PICK ON DR ARISUE ANY MORE THAN I DID.
I'D NORMALLY LAUGH IT OFF AS A RIDICULOUS JOKE,
BUT THIS TIME I CAN'T.

I'VE SEEN IT WITH MY OWN EYES.
IT ALL MAKES SENSE NOW.
HIS ABNORMAL INTELLI-GENCE
IT WAS ALL THE PRODUCT OF DEVILISH GENETIC MANIPULATION.
BUT TO EXPERIMENT LIKE THAT ON A HUMAN EMBRYO
SO THAT MAKES SEI THE RESULT OF A CRIME.
I NEVER THOUGHT THEY'D GO THAT FAR.
THAT'S A CRIMI-NAL OF-FENSE
I SAID SOME-THING LIKE THAT MYSELF.

IN SHOCK AND ANGER ... I SAID IT WAS UNFORGIVABLE ...
BUT THEN THAT MEANS HIS VERY EXISTENCE IS UNFORGIVABLE.
AND THAT'S NOT TRUE
HE'S COMMITTED NO CRIME.
YOU MAY BE RIGHT.
BUT IF THE SECRET POLICE ARE HERE, THE GOVERNMENT MUST KNOW ABOUT SEI'S ORIGINS.
AND THEY'RE VERY INTERESTED IN HIM.
WHETHER OR NOT HE'S DONE ANYTHING WRONG, THAT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT HE'S A WANTED MAN.

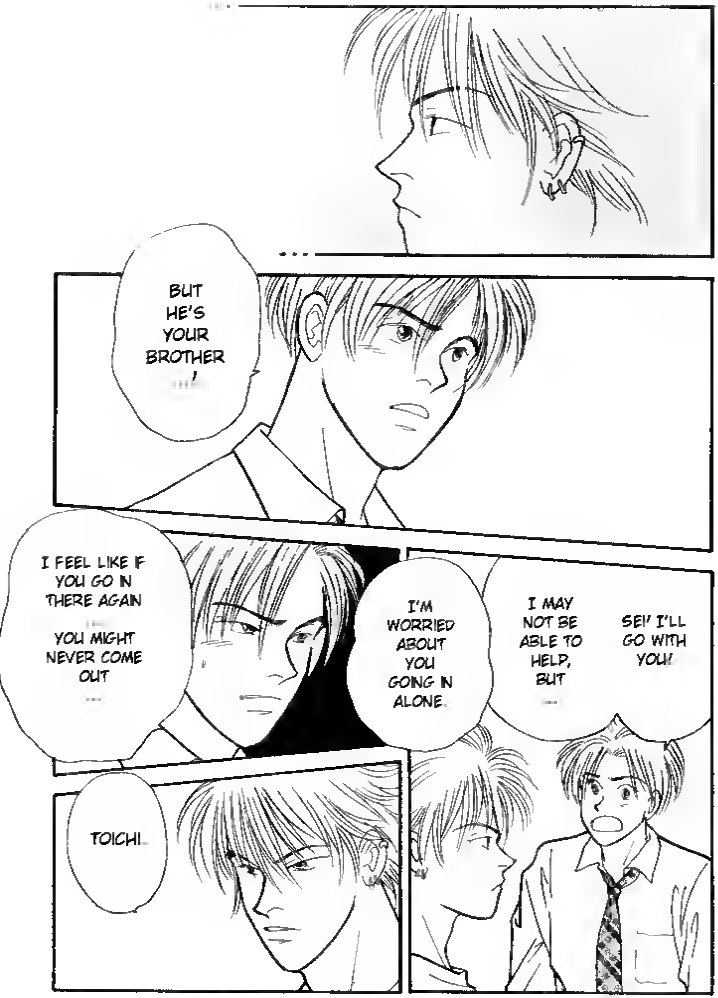
HEY, NAGAE ? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
STOP IT, IMAI-SAN!
THEY WOULDN'T CUT HIM UP, WOULD THEY ?
I WONDER WHAT THEY PLAN TO DO WHEN THEY CATCH HIM
HEY, NAGAE! ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?
YOU CAN'T JUST LEAVE THE COPS WON'T STAND FOR IT.
A DEADLY VIRUS IS ON THE LOOSE!
LIKE SEI SAID, WE HAVE TO LET PEOPLE KNOW AND COME UP WITH A PLAN.
THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE

I TOLD YOU, YOU CAN'T JUST LEAVE!
YOU ...
DON'T TOUCH ME!
WAIT! WHERE ARE YOU GOING !?
HEY!
DO YOU WANT TO DIE !?
I MIGHT INFECT YOU WITH A DEADLY VIRUS!!

TAKE CARE OF YOUR OWN JOB!
AND LEAVE US TO DO OURS!
DON'T INTER-FERE!!
YEAH, NOW THAT YOU'RE IN HERE, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO LEAVE UNTIL THE EXAMINATION'S OVER!
OOH
Sugoi! Nanbu-kun's so cool!
HEY, NAGAE! LET'S GET BACK TO WORK!
SO LET'S ALL GET ALONG, OK? NO ONE WANTS TO DIE, DO THEY?

HUH!?
MAYBE I SHOULD CALL YOU MOICCHI FROM NOW ON.
HUH?
YOU'RE DEFINITELY THAT TOICCHI'S OLDER BROTHER IS WHAT I'M SAYING.
I REALLY DO SEE A FAMILY RESEMBLANCE NOW.
WH-WHAT IS IT?
HE HE HE HE!
SQUEEZE
SFX: RAINDROPS
TIFFANY &
YES?
OH MY! YOUNG MASTER RIN'S BROTHER!
I'M SORRY, IS RIN HOME?
YES! I'LL GO GET HIM RIGHT NOW.

SEI
WELL ... THE THING IS ...
I DIDN'T TELL ANYONE THIS,
BUT I'LL TELL YOU NOW
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE OF?
WHEN THOSE MURDERS HAPPENED AT RAKUHOKU, I SAW HIM
WHEN EVERYONE ELSE WAS IN A PANIC
RN WAS SMILING
IT WAS AN AWFUL, COLD SMILE


...
BUT HE'S YOUR BROTHER!
I FEEL LIKE IF YOU GO IN THERE AGAIN... YOU MIGHT NEVER COME OUT...
I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOU GOING IN ALONE...
I MAY NOT BE ABLE TO HELP, BUT...
SEI! I'LL GO WITH YOU!
TOICHI...

I ...
WANTED TO BE LIKE YOU GUYS
HUH?
Summer homework
MOICCHAN ALWAYS LOOKED AFTER US, RIGHT?
I DIDN'T HAVE ANY SIBLINGS
I WAS ALWAYS JEALOUS OF YOU TWO.
LIKE YOU AND MOIC-CHAN
HUH...? WELL, OF COURSE ... MOICCHAN'S 6 YEARS OLDER THAN ME, AFTER ALL
WHEN I STARTED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HE WAS ALREADY IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

I WAS NO MATCH FOR HIM
HEY!
HOW LONG'RE YOU TWO GONNA STAND THERE TALKING?
MIKAMI!
WHAT'S THE MATTER? COME ON IN
SEI!
IT'S ALL RIGHT, TOICHI
YOU WANT TO TALK TO RIN, DON'T YOU?

NO! YOU CAN'T COME IN!
WHAT THE HELL?
YOU'D BETTER GO HOME IT'S RAINING, AFTER ALL.
HE CAN WAIT IN-SIDE.
YEAH! I'M GOING IN, TOO!
IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T TRUST HIM.
I DON'T TRUST THOSE AROUND HIM!
DO YOU TRUST YOUR BROTHER SO LITTLE?
WHAT DO YOU THINK'S GONNA HAPPEN IF HE COMES INSIDE?
TIFFANY
TIFFANY & CO

I'M JUST GONNA SEE MY BROTHER, RIGHT?
DON'T LOOK LIKE THAT.
TIFFAY
HMM.
BE A GOOD BOY AND STAND GUARD.
I'LL WAIT HERE UNTIL YOU'RE DONE!
SFX: SLAM

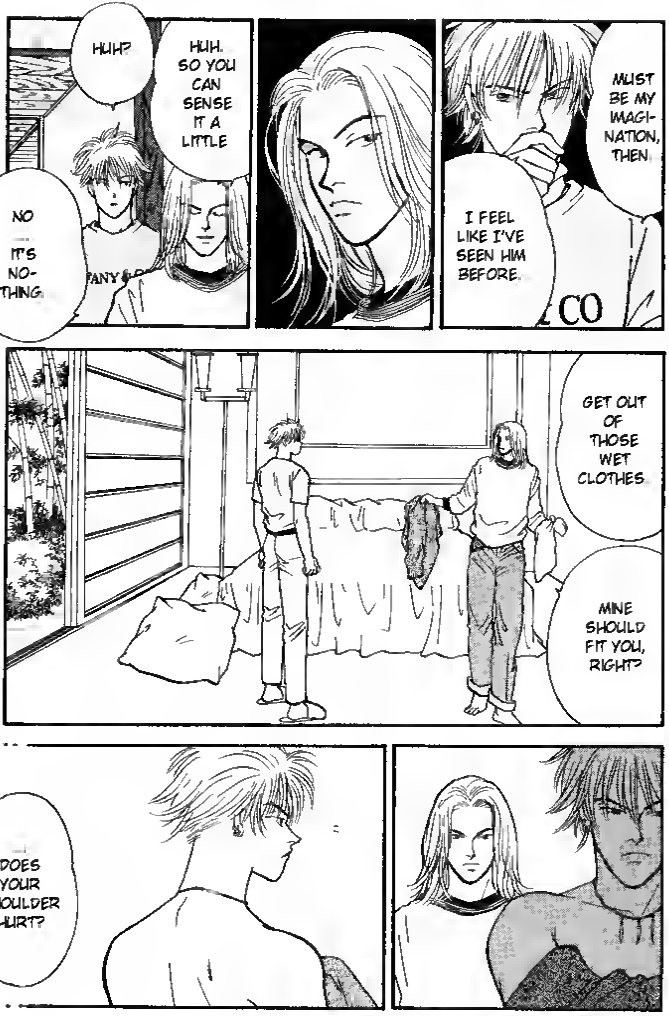
HELLO,
ARISUE SEI-SAN
IFFANY &CO
NICE TO MEET YOU
I'M MIKAMI. THANK YOU FOR PUTTING UP WITH TAKERU
THAT'S MY DAD.
!
WHAT A SURPRISE YOU'RE THE SPITTING IMAGE OF RIN
I'D HEARD YOU WERE TWINS
BUT YOU REALLY DO LOOK ALIKE.
TIFFANY & CO.

THE PRESIDENT OF NEO GENESIS, DONALD GOLDBERG, IS COMING
THERE ARE SOME UNSAVORY LOOKING CHARACTERS WANDERING AROUND THE PREMISES, BUT JUST IGNORE THEM
THE AMAMIYAS HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT GUEST ARRIVING TOMORROW
TAKERU! KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT!!
HUH !?
HE HAS NO SENSE OF PROPRIETY
NOW COME WITH ME YOUNG MASTER RIN IS WAITING

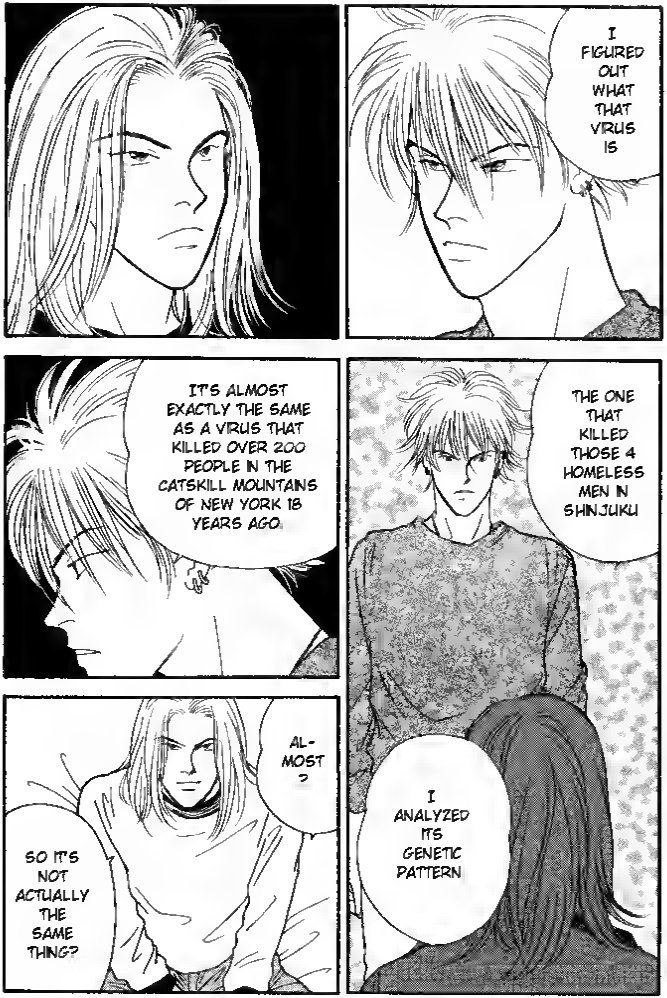
WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL THAT YOUNG MASTER RIN HAS BEEN SO FRIENDLY WITH TAKERU
BUT
I THOUGHT YOU NEVER LEFT RIN'S SIDE
AREN'T YOU COMING, TAKERU?
GUARD DOGS MUST STAY OUTSIDE
PLEASE DON'T MIND US
WELCOME
SFX: GASP

EVIL LOOKING OLD MAN, WASN'T HE?
TIFFANY & CO.

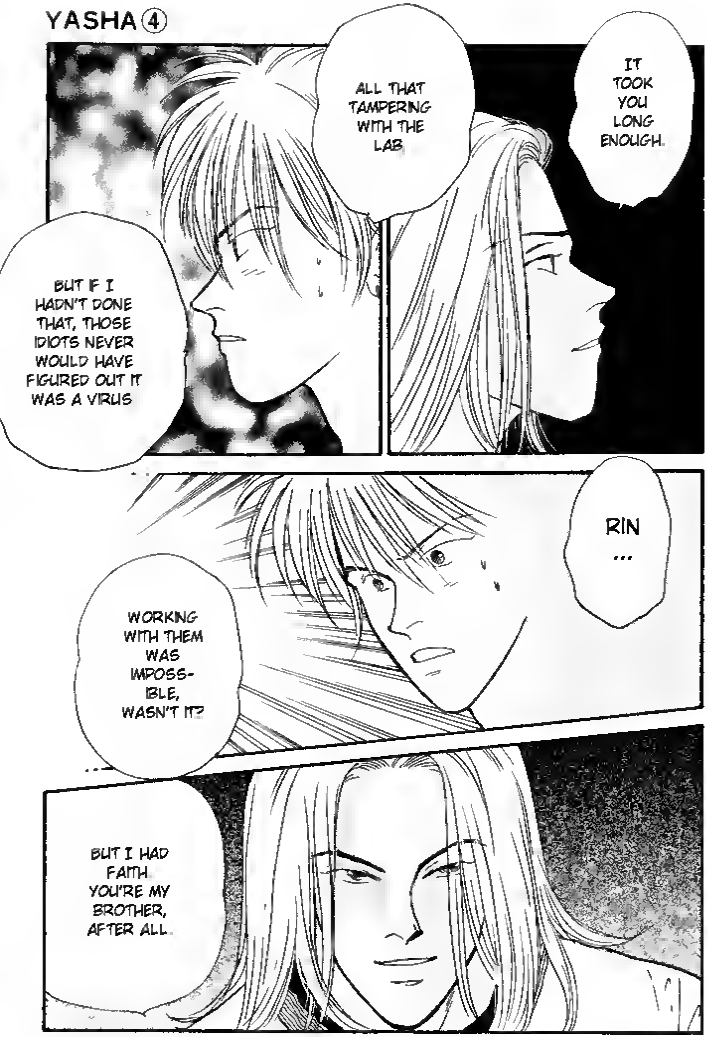
THE AMAMIYA FAMILY HAS A LONG LINEAGE, BUT WAS FALLING INTO RUIN WHEN HE TOOK OVER AND TURNED US INTO THE OWNERS OF JAPAN'S NUMBER ONE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY IN THE SPACE OF A GENERATION.
MY FATHER'S FATHER
THE FOUNDER OF AMAMIYA PHARMA-CEUTICALS, AMAMIYA GENJIRO.
YOU LEFT FROM THE GARDEN LAST TIME, SO YOU DIDN'T GET TO SEE HIS PICTURE.
...
WHAT IS IT?
ALL VISITORS TO THIS HOUSE ARE MET BY MY GRAND-FATHER'S GLARE.
COME ON IN.
HE'S DEAD, ISN'T HE?
YEAH, DIED WHEN I WAS 14.

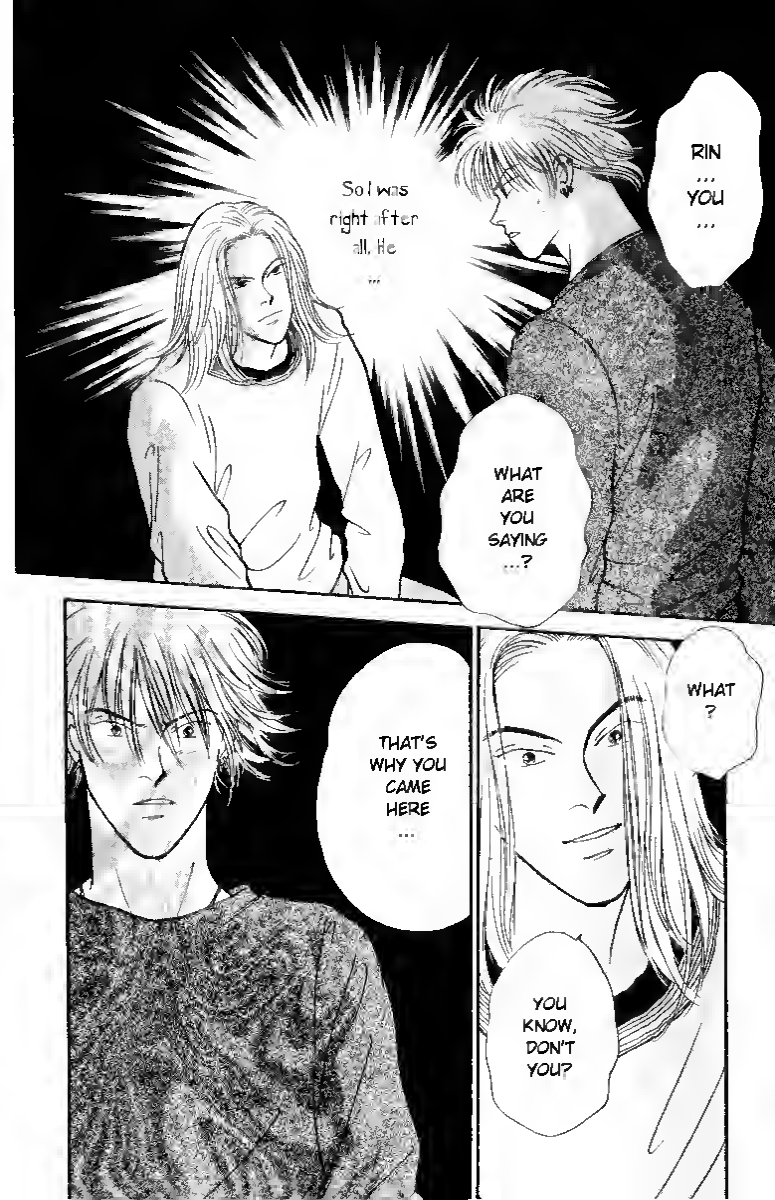

HUH?
HUH. SO YOU CAN SENSE IT A LITTLE
NO... IT'S NOTHING.
MUST BE MY IMAGINATION, THEN.
I FEEL LIKE I'VE SEEN HIM BEFORE.
GET OUT OF THOSE WET CLOTHES.
MINE SHOULD FIT YOU, RIGHT?
...DOES YOUR SHOULDER HURT?

POKE
THIS SCAR IS STILL FRESH
WHAT HAPPENED?
JUST STUFF
IT'S NOT IMPORTANT
SO?
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO TALK TO ME ABOUT?


I FIGURED OUT WHAT THAT VIRUS IS
THE ONE THAT KILLED THOSE 4 HOMELESS MEN IN SHINJUKU
I ANALYZED ITS GENETIC PATTERN
IT'S ALMOST EXACTLY THE SAME AS A VIRUS THAT KILLED OVER 200 PEOPLE IN THE CATSKILL MOUNTAINS OF NEW YORK 18 YEARS AGO.
AL-MOST ?
SO IT'S NOT ACTUALLY THE SAME THING?

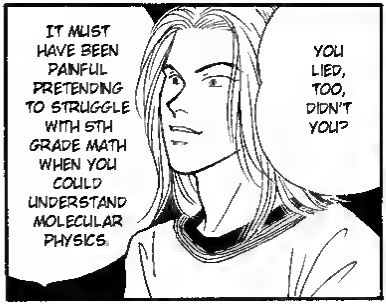
RIGHT!
THE CATSKILL FEVER WOULDN'T HAVE KILLED JUST 4 PEOPLE
SOMEONE DELIBERATELY WEAKENED THE VIRUS BEFORE DISTRIBUTING IT!
HA... HA HA HA!
SO YOU FINALLY REALIZED...

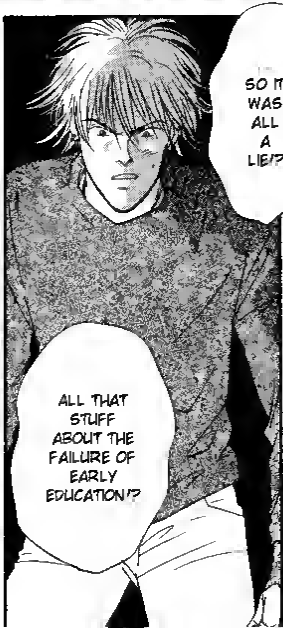

IT TOOK YOU LONG ENOUGH.
ALL THAT TAMPERING WITH THE LAB
BUT IF I HADN'T DONE THAT, THOSE IDIOTS NEVER WOULD HAVE FIGURED OUT IT WAS A VIRUS
RIN ...
WORKING WITH THEM WAS IMPOSS-IBLE, WASN'T IT?
BUT I HAD FAITH. YOU'RE MY BROTHER, AFTER ALL.


RIN ... YOU ...
So I was right after all, He ...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING ...?
WHAT ?
YOU KNOW, DON'T YOU?
THAT'S WHY YOU CAME HERE ...

YOU SAID YOU ANALYZED THE VIRUS THAT KILLED THOSE HOMELESS MEN IN SHINJUKU, RIGHT?
IT WAS A MODIFIED VERSION OF THE CATSKILL FEVER.
BUT THAT SORT OF SKILL IS BEYOND TODAY'S SCIENTISTS.
SO WHO DID IT?
THAT'S RIGHT.
I'M THE ONE WHO MADE THAT VIRUS.

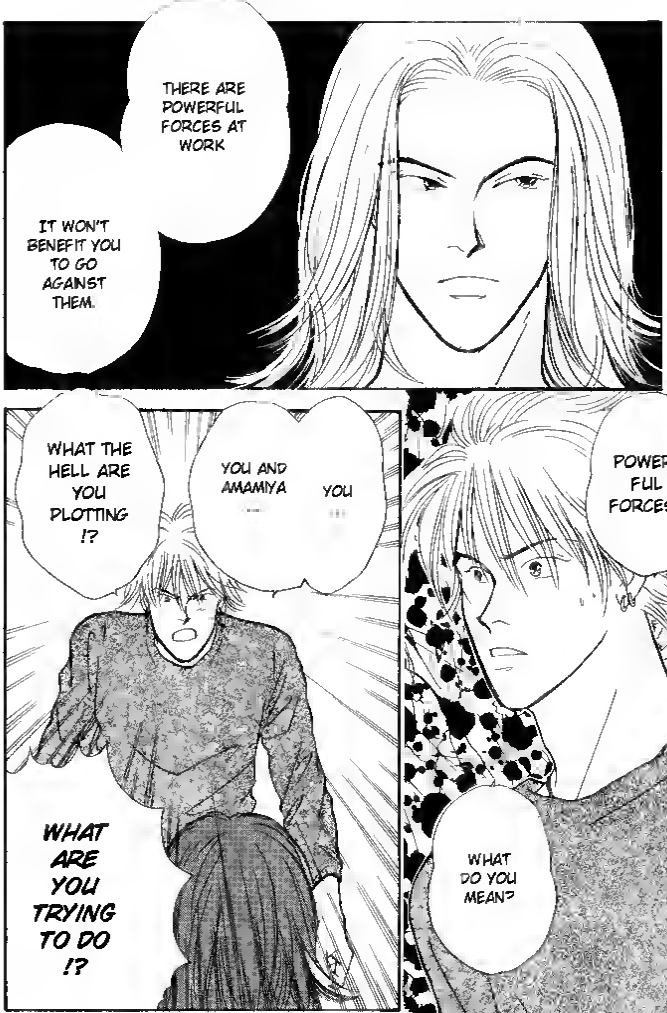
SOMEONE WHO KNEW ABOUT THE CATSKILL FEVER
AND WHO HAD THE SKILL TO CONTROL IT
...
YOU REALIZED THAT WAS A POSSIBILITY AND THAT'S WHY YOU CAME HERE


IT MUST HAVE BEEN PAINFUL PRETENDING TO STRUGGLE WITH 5TH GRADE MATH WHEN YOU COULD UNDERSTAND MOLECULAR PHYSICS.
YOU LIED, TOO, DIDN'T YOU?


...
SO IT WAS ALL A LIE!?
ALL THAT STUFF ABOUT THE FAILURE OF EARLY EDUCATION!?

...
WHY ...?

WHY, RIN !?
WHY WOULD YOU DO THIS!?
YOU LIED TO US
AND KILLED 4 PEOPLE !!
AN-SWER ME, RIN !!
...
I NEEDED YOUR HELP.


THERE ARE POWERFUL FORCES AT WORK
IT WON'T BENEFIT YOU TO GO AGAINST THEM.
POWER-FUL FORCES?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOU
YOU AND AMAMIYA
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU PLOTTING !?
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO !?

TO BUILD A NEW FUTURE.
A TRUE NEO GENESIS.

A TRUE NEO GENESIS ...?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN ...!?

IN RECENT YEARS, THIS COUNTRY'S ECONOMY WAS AN INCREDIBLE SUCCESS.
THIS IS ALL HYPOTHETICAL, BUT SAY YOU HAD A CERTAIN COUNTRY.
BUT THERE WAS A SHADOW HANGING OVER ITS FUTURE.
POPULATION DECLINE, AN AGING SOCIETY.
THOSE THINGS WOULD EVENTUALLY HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE ECONOMY.
SO THE IDIOTS IN CHARGE OF THIS COUNTRY LEAPT TO THE OBVIOUS CONCLUSION.
"WHAT IF WE GOT RID OF ALL THE DEAD WEIGHT!?"
NOW REMEMBER THE CATSKILL FEVER.
IT HAD AN ODD QUIRK, DIDN'T IT?

THE CONTAGION RATE IS MUCH HIGHER AMONG THE ELDERLY, AND THE SYMPTONS ARE WORSE, TOO
IN OTHER WORDS, OLDER CELLS ARE MUCH MORE RECEPTIVE TO IT.
USED WISELY, IT COULD CUT THE RISING COST OF HEALTHCARE FOR AN AGING POPULATION AND PUT AN END TO THAT "WASTEFUL" SPENDING
...SO THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE AFTER...?
NOT US.
IT'S A HYPO-THETICAL SITUA-TION.
THE WORLD HAS MANY DIFFERENT GOALS
THERE ARE THOSE LIKE THE WHITE SUPREMACIST MR. GOLDBERG WHO WOULD USE IT AGAINST OTHER RACES...

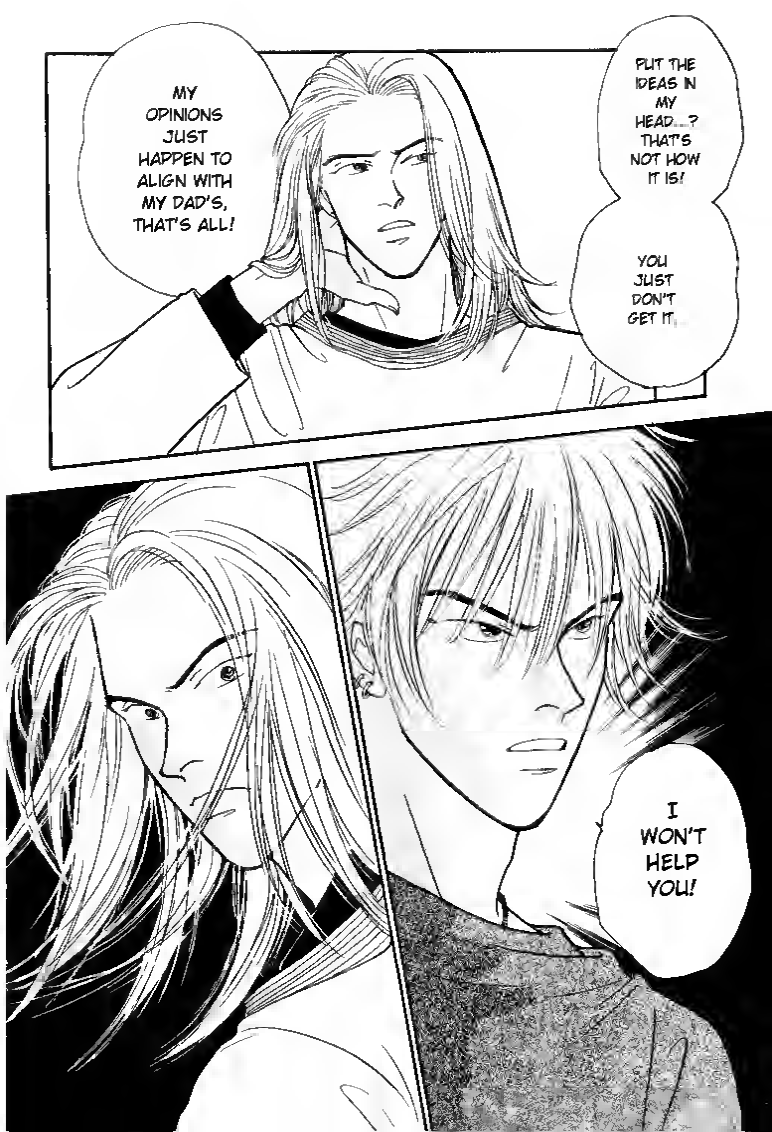
DO YOU KNOW WHY
THEY USED ASIANS FOR THE EXPERIMENT THAT GAVE BIRTH TO US?
THEY DIDN'T WANT TO EXPERI-MENT ON WHITES,
BUT COULDN'T ABIDE THE THOUGHT OF A BLACK MASTER RACE.
TO THEM, ASIANS ARE YELLOW MONKEYS, AND THEY DON'T CARE IF WE LIVE OR DIE.
My head s throbbing
AND YOU
YOU GUYS ARE HELPING THEM WITH THIS!?
WHAT DOES MASS MURDER HAVE TO DO WITH A NEW FUTURE!?

BROTHER...
I'M NO GOLDBERG, BUT HATRED OF THE "OTHER" ISN'T JUST THEORETICAL...
ECONOMIC DISPARITY, RACE, RELIGION, CULTURAL DIFFERENCES...
THEN THERE'S WAR, AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION... LEFT ALONE, THINGS WILL ONLY ESCALATE
THE GAPS ARE DEEP AND THE HATRED ENDLESS...
THAT'S WHY...
IF WE CAN CONTROL THESE VARIOUS "GOALS"
WE CAN EVENTUALLY CONTROL THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY...

THAT'S RIGHT
HUMANS DO IT, TOO, DON'T THEY? TO OTHER ANIMALS
WE'LL BE OVER-SEEING THE ECO-SYSTEM.
ARE YOU SERI-OUS?
THAT'S THE FUTURE YOU AND AMAMIYA ARE WORKING TOWARDS!?
HUH?
ARE THERE ANY EXCEP-TIONS?
ARE THE OLD MEN CONTROLLING THE GOVERNMENT TARGETS FOR THIS VIRUS, TOO!?

I FIGURED AS MUCH!
THERE ARE SOME EXCEP-TIONS
OF COURSE THERE ARE
THERE ARE ONLY TWO TYPES OF PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD: THE WEAK AND THE STRONG.
THOSE WHO GET THE SHORT END OF THE STICK ARE ALWAYS REPRESENTED BY A PERCENTAGE AND NEVER ACKNOWLEDGED BY NAME.
...
BUT THAT'S JUST HOW IT IS
AND THAT WEAKNESS IS OUR RESPONSI-BILITY, TOO

IF YOU AND I JOIN FORCES, WE CAN DO ANYTHING
WILL YOU HELP US OUT?
WE NEED YOUR HELP, BRO-THER
IT WOULD MAKE MY DAD HAPPY, TOO
IS AMAMIYA THE ONE WHO PUT THESE IDEAS IN YOUR HEAD?
RIN


MY OPINIONS JUST HAPPEN TO ALIGN WITH MY DAD'S, THAT'S ALL!
PUT THE IDEAS IN MY HEAD...? THAT'S NOT HOW IT IS!
YOU JUST DON'T GET IT.
I WON'T HELP YOU!

...
WHY NOT?
WHY NOT !?
YOU WANT TO BECOME THE NEXT HITLER !?
IF THAT'S THE FUTURE YOU'RE WORK-ING TO-WARDS,
I WANT NO PART OF IT!!

...YOU WANT NO PART OF IT?
SO WHAT? THEN WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO?
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU CAN DO!?
I TOLD YOU, THERE ARE POWERFUL FORCES AT WORK HERE.
BUT NOT EVEN THEY CAN COMPARE TO THE AMAMIYA FAMILY.
THE TIES BETWEEN THE AMAMIYAS AND THE GOVERNMENT RUN DEEP.
MAKING AN ENEMY OF THE AMAMIYAS MEANS HAVING THE FULL FORCE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S INFLUENCE AGAINST YOU.

YOU WON'T GET OFF EASY.
MY FATHER WON'T FORGIVE YOU FOR THIS!
THE FEELING IS MUTUAL.
WAIT!
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING!?
I SAID WAIT !!

AT THIS FACE !!
TAKE A GOOD LOOK

AT THIS BODY !!
WE'RE THE SAME, AREN'T WE? IN EVERY WAY!

THE WORLD IS FULL OF TWINS!
BUT HAVE THERE EVER BEEN ANOTHER SET OF TWINS LIKE US !?
WE'RE ALL ALONE IN THIS WORLD !!
PLEASE DON'T GO !!
I'M BEGGING YOU !!

THEY PUT THAT THING IN YOU AND TREATED YOU LIKE AN EXPERIMENT...
YOU MUST HAVE BEEN SO PISSED OFF.
THIS TIME WE'LL BE THE ONES IN CONTROL OF THOSE HUMANS!
I UNDER-STAND!
IT WAS TOUGH, WASN'T IT!?
I KNOW THAT WOUND ON YOUR SHOULDER IS FROM REMOVING A TRACKING DEVICE
THOSE FUCKING MONKEYS!!
WE'LL SHOW THEM JUST WHAT THEY'VE CREATED!
RIN.

MEET-
ING
YOU
MADE
ME
REALLY
HAPPY.
I NEVER
DREAMED
I HAD A
BROTHER.
BUT I CAN'T
ACCEPT THIS
FUTURE OF
YOURS
...
OF
AMAMIYA'S.

RIN.
I WAS ONE OF THE "WEAK" IN NEO GENESIS' LABS
I WAS UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE. THEY WERE IN CONTROL OF WHETHER I LIVED OR DIED
THEY TOLD ME THAT IF I DISOBEYED OR RAN AWAY
THEY COULDN'T GUARANTEE THE SAFETY OF TOICHI OR MY UNCLE
WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO IS NO DIFFERENT !!
DO YOU WANT TO REVIVE THE NIGHTMARE OF NAZISM !?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
ARE YOU GOING TO LEAVE IT?
I WISH I COULD TAKE YOU WITH ME
BUT YOU WOULDN'T GET OFF EASY IF YOU LEFT, WOULD YOU?

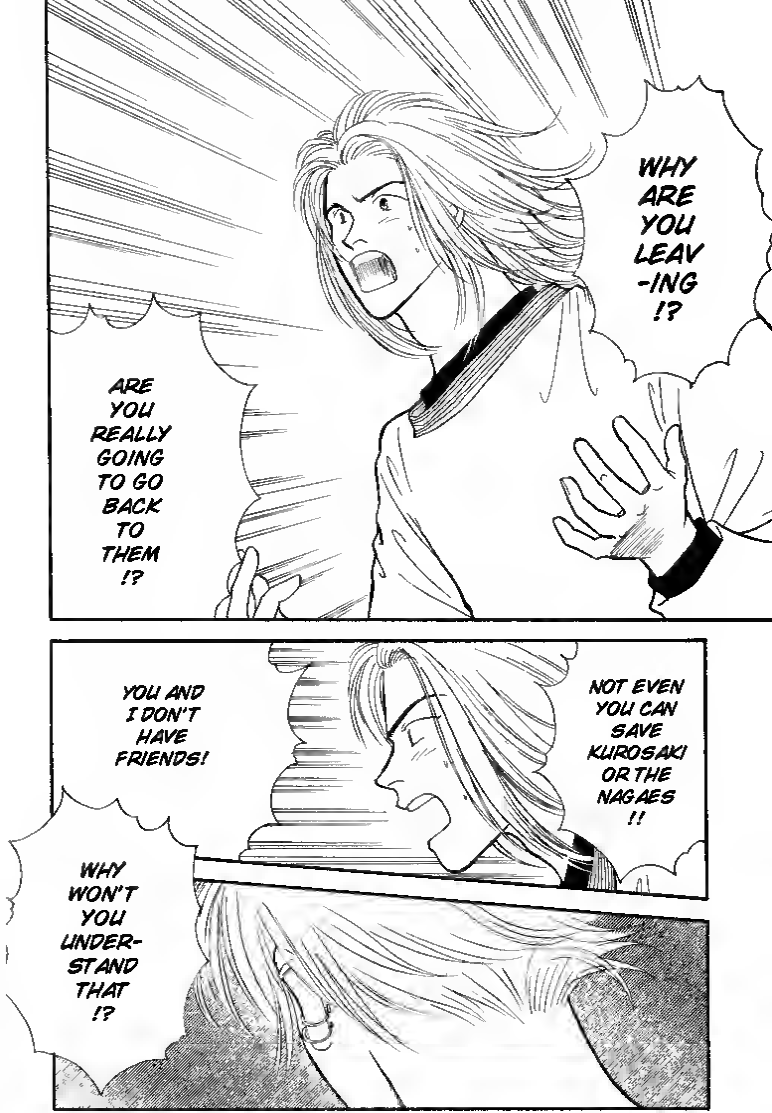
I'LL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO DESTROY THE FUTURE AMAMIYA DREAMS OF
BUT THAT DOESN'T CHANGE MY FEELINGS FOR YOU
I WANT TO CHANGE YOUR HEART IF I CAN
AND IF I CAN'T
YOU'RE STILL MY LITTLE BROTHER
I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU

SFX: SLAM
SFX: CRUNCH
'The invisible hand of God'

was the capricious hand of Amamiya Kyoichiro.
But for me and Rin, that "hand",
I can't hate that twisted wickedness.
...?
I can't blame Rin

That could have been me.
I curse the cruelty that ripped us apart.
I hate the "god" who created us.
SEI !!

DON'T GO !!


WHY ARE YOU LEAV -ING !?
ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO GO BACK TO THEM !?
NOT EVEN YOU CAN SAVE KUROSAKI OR THE NAGAES !!
YOU AND I DON'T HAVE FRIENDS!
WHY WON'T YOU UNDER- STAND THAT !?

DON'T GO !!
YOU SAID WE WOULDN'T BECOME LIKE THOSE AZTEC TWINS !!
THEN YOU COME WITH ME !!

COME WITH ME !!
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'VE EVER BEEN HAPPY IN THIS HOME!!
DON'T LOOK AWAY, RIN!!
WH-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?

WHAT KIND OF FATHER TRIES TO GET HIS SON TO COMMIT MASS MURDER!?
WOULD A FATHER REALLY USE HIS SON LIKE THAT!?
SHUT UP !!
DON'T TALK LIKE YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT US!!
RIN !!
SHUT UP !!

IF YOU WANT TO GO THEN GO ...!
BUT I PROMISE YOU YOU'LL REGRET IT!
YOU CAN'T BEAT ME, SEI
YOU SHOULD CURSE ARISUE HISAKO FOR NOT EDUCATING YOU PROPERLY!

!
WAIT..
...I WON'T FORGIVE YOU...
I'LL NEVER FORGIVE YOU, SEI !!

So it's finally come to this
for Rin and me.
It's what I've feared since the moment we met.
"IF YOU WANT TO GO, THEN GO!"
"YOU SAID WE WOULDN'T BECOME LIKE THOSE AZTEC TWINS!"
I feared this day would some day come.

SFX: SHINE
YOU'RE ARISUE SEI, AREN'T YOU !?
I'M GOING TO HAVE TO ASK YOU TO COME WITH ME
... WHERE'S TOICHI?
HE'S UNDER OUR PROTECTION
SEI !!
IF YOU COME WITH US, HE CAN GO FREE
PROTECTION, EH?
THAT'S ONE WAY OF PUTTING IT.

...
WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF?
AM I THAT SCARY ?
I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH YOU KNOW,
BUT DID YOU THINK I HAD HORNS OR SOMETHING?
Oh ...

That's that same look!
SEI !! LOOK AT ME !!
YOUR INSTINCTS ARE CORRECT.
STANDING BEFORE YOU ... IS YOUR NATURAL ENEMY.
YOU HUMANS HAVE SLIPPED FROM THE TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN!
OH!

SEI
!!
...
Oh!

This happened before ...
Wh-what is this feeling?
WH-WHAT'S GOING ON !?
I DON'T KNOW, HE JUST SUDDENLY
!
SEI !!
STOP IT, RIN !
STOP IT

GET OUT OF MY HEAD !!
SFX: THUD
WAH!

RIN, WHAT'S WRONG!? GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF !!
RIN !!
?
DAMN IT, HE SHOVED ME RIGHT OUT
...
DON'T YELL, IT'S GIVING ME A HEADACHE
RIN !!
SFX: TWIST
SEI !!
LET HIM GO, YOU BASTARDS!

SFX: SCREEEECH
STOP!
I SAID STOP!!
DAMN IT! KIDNAPPERS!!
SFX: VROOOM
RIN!!
DAMN IT! GET OUT HERE, YOU LONG-HAIRED BASTARD!!
KICK

ARE YOU GONNA JUST STAND BY AND LET YOUR BROTHER GET KILLED!?
SEI TRIED TO PROTECT YOU, YOU KNOW!!
HE SAID IT WAS ONLY HIM WHOSE GENES WERE MANIPU-LATED ...
HE WAS DESPERATE TO PROTECT YOU
SFX: BANG BANG
AND NOW LOOK AT YOU !!
COME OUT OF THERE !!
SFX: GRAB
!
YOU LONG-HAIRED BA--

SHUT UP
QUIT YOUR WHINING

I THOUGHT YOU WERE ABOUT AS SMART AS A CHIHUAHUA, BUT I GUESS I WAS WRONG.
IT WAS YOU, WASN'T IT !?
YOU'RE IN LEAGUE WITH THE SECRET POLICE! THEY NEVER SET FOOT IN YOUR HOUSE!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WAS INTERFERING IN THE UNIVERSITY'S EXPERIMENTS
I'LL TELL YOU THIS MUCH
IF YOU WANT TO STAY SAFE, YOU'LL QUIT STICKING YOUR NOSE IN WHERE IT DOESN'T BELONG.
FUCK YOU! WHERE DID THEY TAKE SE! !?
AND TELL THAT CLEVER MOICCHAN TO DO THE SAME
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF I TOLD YOU?
RESCUE HIM, OF COURSE !!

RESCUE HIM? WITH WHAT ARMY!?
YOU CAN'T MEAN TO DO IT YOURSELF.
I'VE GOT LT. KUROSAKI AND JACK!
THEY'RE NOT LIKE YOU! THEY WON'T ABANDON SE!!
HA HA HA HA!
YOU REALLY ARE A CHIHUAHUA.
DON'T YOU REALIZE WHO YOU'RE UP AGAINST?
THEY CAN DO ANYTHING.
SE'S AN IDIOT. IF HE HADN'T CROSSED ME, THIS WOULD NEVER HAVE HAPPENED.

WHY WOULD YOU SAY THAT?
BUT NOT LIKE THIS.
BRO-THERS ALWAYS FIGHT
WHY, RIN?
TOICHI.

Se--
I MIGHT HAVE BEEN YOUR FRIEND
IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN SEI HERE IN FRONT OF YOU
AS AMAMIYA KYOICHIRO'S SON

AND IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN ME
WHO GREW UP ON A PEACEFUL ISLAND IN OKINAWA WITH YOU GUYS
WITH ARISUE HISAKO FOR A MOTHER
SFX: SMIRK
BECAUSE OF THAT, I'LL LET YOU GO TODAY
BUT IF YOU STICK YOUR NOSE IN MY BUSINESS AGAIN

RIGHT.
THROW HIM OUT.
RIN.
THAT HURTS! DON'T PULL MY ARM!
OW!
LET HIM GO, TAKERU!
HEY, RIN, WAIT UP!
DON'T THINK EITHER YOU OR MOICCHAN WILL BE SAFE!

TAKE-RU!
IT'S NOT YOUR PLACE TO GET INVOLV-ED

YOU'RE GETTING WET.

WHEN I FIRST MET YOU, IT WAS HERE IN THIS TEA ROOM, WASN'T IT?
MY DAD HAD DRAGGED ME ALONG
AND I WAS WANDERING AROUND OUT OF BOREDOM WHEN I SAW YOU.
YOU WERE SITTING HERE JUST LIKE THIS,
SMILING HAPPILY
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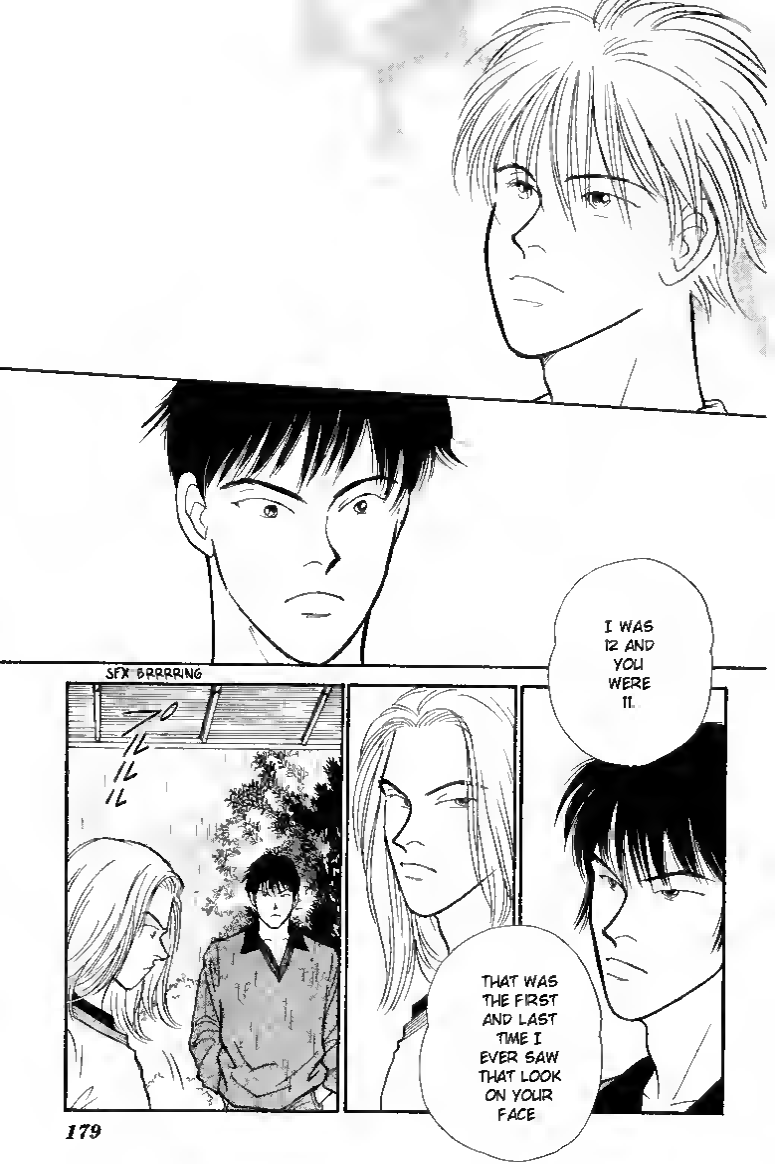
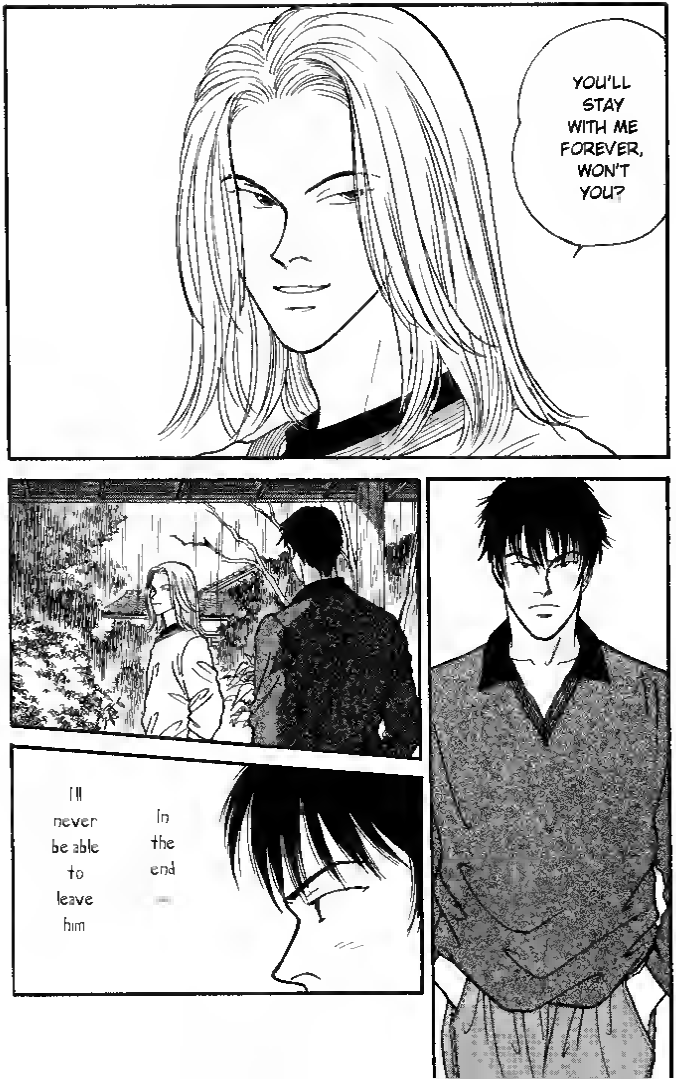

I WAS 12 AND YOU WERE 11.
SFX BRRRRING
THAT WAS THE FIRST AND LAST TIME I EVER SAW THAT LOOK ON YOUR FACE

HEY, DAD...
YEAH, THEY JUST TOOK HIM AWAY.
THAT'S ALL WELL AND GOOD, BUT CAN YOU HAVE A WORD WITH THE DEFENSE AGENCY AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION?
THEY'RE SO SIMPLE-MINDED, WHO KNOWS WHAT THEY MIGHT DO.
MAKE SURE THEY KNOW WHO'S IN CHARGE.
TALK TO YOU LATER.
OW.
MY HEAD'S STILL KILLING ME.
QUIT IT, TAKERU.
I'M NOT IN THE MOOD.

LET IT GO, RIN
STOP TRYING TO DRAG SEI INTO THIS.
IT'S NO USE!
HE'LL NEVER JOIN US.

NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO, SEI WON'T CHOOSE YOU
HE WON'T CHOOSE AMAMIYA!
HE'LL GO BACK TO THEM !!
BACK TO DR. ARISUE AND THE NAGAES!!
GIVE UP ON SEI !!
I'LL STAY WITH YOU FOR-EVER !!
TAKE -RU

YOU'RE NOT ENOUGH.
TAKERU.
SITS UP
COME ON
LET'S GO TO THE LAB.


YOU'LL STAY WITH ME FOREVER, WON'T YOU?
I'll never be able to leave him
In the end —

This beautiful and terrible demon
has devoured my soul at my own request.

HEY, THERE
ARE YOU AWAKE, DOCTOR?
I MEAN ARISUE -KUN
I TO SAN ?
I'M GOING TO HAVE TO ASK YOU TO CALL ME SENSEI.
AS FOR YOU, YOU'RE NO LONGER A DOCTOR.

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After Rin rescued Sei, the brothers deepened their bond. But was it nothing more than a lie...!? When Sei finds out Rin was the one who disseminated the virus, he parts ways with his brother!! But what awaits him when he goes against his destiny...!?